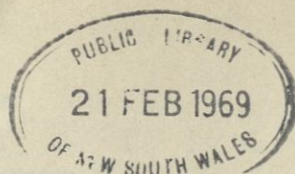


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POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriage registrations (a)	Birth registrations (a)	Death registrations (a)	Natural increase (a) (b)	Net overseas migration gain (c)	Population (d) —	
						Increase (e)	At end of period
Quarterly average							
1958-59	18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53,537	10,056,479
1959-60	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54,635	10,275,020
1960-61	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58,292	fg 10,548,267
1961-62	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	48,506	10,742,291
1962-63	20,180	58,660	23,309	35,351	17,431	52,022	10,950,379
1963-64	20,610	58,138	24,425	33,713	21,102	54,081	11,166,702
1964-65	22,570	56,018	25,156	30,862	25,139	55,241	11,387,665
1965-66	23,781	55,638	25,175	30,463	23,097	52,958	f 11,599,498
1966-67	24,496	57,052	26,307	30,745	21,844	52,667	11,810,165
1967-68	25,628	57,991	26,167	31,824	23,340	55,164	12,030,820
Quarterly total							
1964-65—							
June	23,768	55,217	24,698	30,519	16,414	46,175	11,387,665
1965-66—							
September	20,320	57,170	29,876	27,294	24,564	51,165	11,438,830
December	24,937	55,547	23,655	31,892	35,443	66,578	11,505,408
March	24,861	54,792	22,272	32,520	26,337	58,119	11,563,527
June	25,008	55,044	24,899	30,145	6,045	35,971	f 11,599,498
1966-67—							
September	20,476	56,298	31,740	24,558	21,429	46,124	11,645,622
December	25,701	56,492	25,018	31,474	33,115	64,765	11,710,387
March	27,058	57,405	23,010	34,395	28,145	62,540	11,772,927
June	24,749	58,012	25,458	32,554	4,684	37,238	11,810,165
1967-68—							
September	21,428	57,579	29,559	28,020	26,225	54,245	11,864,410
December	26,765	56,300	24,676	31,624	32,855	64,479	11,928,889
March	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	61,898	11,990,787
June	27,014	59,967	26,178	33,789	6,244	40,033	12,030,820

(a) Excludes particulars of full-blood Aborigines prior to 1 January 1967. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered.
(c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961.
(e) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercensal increase revealed by successive censuses. (f) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (g) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

POPULATION (a): STATES (b)

Date	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
30 June—									
1956	3,554,257	2,593,468	1,381,591	848,557	674,529	318,470	19,556	35,135	9,425,563
1957	3,624,969	2,656,257	1,413,085	873,166	687,605	326,130	21,061	(c) 37,865	9,640,138
1958	3,691,954	2,718,482	1,439,199	896,803	699,565	333,066	22,097	41,167	9,842,333
1959	3,759,834	2,785,905	1,468,237	920,898	712,070	339,376	24,089	(c) 46,070	10,056,479
1960	3,832,453	2,857,389	1,495,927	945,320	722,080	343,910	25,573	52,368	10,275,020
1961 (a) (d)	3,918,501	2,930,366	1,527,514	971,487	(e) 746,750	350,340	(e) 44,481	58,828	10,548,267
1962 (b)	3,986,948	2,983,058	1,550,982	987,496	765,962	355,668	46,004	66,173	10,742,291
1963	4,049,998	3,040,841	1,577,867	1,010,741	788,344	360,727	48,461	(c) 73,400	10,950,379
1964	4,107,915	3,105,519	1,610,698	1,038,020	808,443	364,311	51,463	(c) 80,333	11,166,702
1965	4,175,438	3,164,369	1,644,534	1,067,571	825,525	367,905	53,858	(c) 88,465	11,387,665
1966 (d)	4,237,901	3,220,217	1,674,324	1,094,984	848,100	371,436	56,504	96,032	11,599,498
1967	4,306,949	3,274,396	1,701,623	1,111,480	876,362	376,434	59,329	(c) 103,592	11,810,165
1968	4,382,404	3,324,177	1,732,280	1,125,212	909,414	382,030	62,524	112,779	12,030,820

(a) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (b) State population estimates from 30 September 1961 have been prepared by a new method (for explanation see Australian Demographic Review No. 236). (c) Based on Population Count of Canberra.
(d) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (e) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with the stated intention of settling permanently in Australia, and Australian residents departing with the stated intention of residing permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with the stated intention of staying (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of Australian residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other overseas arrivals and departures, including those of Australian troops irrespective of period of stay, and U.S. troops visiting Australia on rest and recreation leave. The latter are classified for statistical purposes as short-term visitors.

Crew members, persons passing through Australia on board the same ship or on the same flight (variously called direct transit passengers or 'through' passengers) and passengers on short pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia on ships not then engaged in regular voyages, are excluded from these statistics

Arrivals

Period	Permanent movement	Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total arrivals	Excess of total arrivals over total departures
	Settlers arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving		
Monthly average							
1963-64	10,193	1,922	1,181	9,978	11,135	34,409	7,034
1964-65	11,679	2,005	1,374	12,338	13,481	40,877	8,380
1965-66	12,005	2,273	1,538	14,234	14,989	45,039	7,699
1966-67	11,556	2,597	1,673	16,879	16,540	49,245	7,281
1967-68	11,461	3,086	1,945	20,014	21,455	57,961	7,780
Monthly total							
1967-68—							
October	12,505	3,534	1,903	21,684	20,216	59,842	13,571
November	9,794	3,137	1,520	19,443	22,395	56,289	12,899
December	11,790	4,952	1,854	16,797	29,729	65,122	6,385
January	13,770	3,624	2,777	30,049	23,872	74,092	10,364
February	10,113	2,722	2,798	20,559	24,133	60,325	11,933
March	13,492	2,826	2,208	18,460	24,444	61,530	5,737
April	12,590	2,400	1,659	16,767	21,481	54,897	983
May	11,811	2,417	1,954	19,429	22,186	57,797	1,629
June	13,835	2,514	1,666	18,385	19,169	55,569	3,632
1968-69—							
July	12,135	2,660	1,964	17,950	19,820	54,529	11,578
August	14,481	3,192	1,635	22,266	24,793	66,367	10,809
September	11,861	3,101	1,811	26,121	21,919	84,813	17,845
October	15,372	2,975	1,685	23,676	30,251	73,959	20,034
November	15,282	3,061	1,616	21,076	30,199	71,234	15,694

Departures

Period	Permanent movement		Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total departures
	Former settlers departing (a)	Other residents departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	
Monthly average							
1963-64	722	602	3,328	1,027	10,137	11,559	27,375
1964-65	856	569	3,558	1,137	12,461	13,916	32,497
1965-66	1,364	550	4,315	984	14,484	15,643	37,340
1966-67	1,703	735	4,479	1,059	16,559	17,429	41,964
1967-68	1,960	660	4,320	1,043	19,579	22,619	50,181
Monthly total							
1967-68—							
October	2,876	735	4,488	959	16,388	20,825	46,271
November	2,192	642	3,850	967	13,440	22,299	43,390
December	1,425	561	3,538	1,282	29,400	22,531	58,737
January	2,963	889	7,281	1,204	19,766	31,625	63,728
February	1,064	530	3,306	973	16,725	25,794	48,392
March	1,530	570	3,928	1,097	22,358	26,310	55,793
April	1,917	807	4,862	1,020	21,769	23,739	53,914
May	1,620	559	3,679	965	24,110	25,235	56,168
June	1,761	734	3,964	929	22,917	21,632	51,937
1968-69—							
July	1,228	534	3,577	935	17,567	19,112	42,951
August	2,532	745	4,766	1,016	21,442	25,257	55,758
September	2,236	697	3,762	946	15,420	23,907	46,968
October	2,271	564	3,895	815	17,101	29,279	53,925
November	2,769	696	4,047	1,164	16,772	30,092	55,540

(a) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

See footnote (a), page 6, concerning the pending revision of this series.

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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups									Total civilian employees		
	Manufacturing (b)	Building and construction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce	Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Community and business services (c)	Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other industries (d)	Private employers	Government authorities	Total
Males												
1964—June	e 920.9	290.0	192.5	92.1	381.2	105.7	178.3	78.2	230.5	1,762.3	707.0	2,469.3
1965—June	952.2	299.0	e 197.9	96.9	392.9	110.1	186.4	83.2	234.5	e 1,834.7	718.4	e 2,553.1
1966—June	955.2	310.1	201.8	101.7	396.1	116.5	195.0	87.9	242.3	1,861.5	745.1	2,606.6
1967—June	965.9	299.0	201.9	105.4	398.4	122.5	201.8	92.0	248.4	1,878.4	756.9	2,635.3
1968—June	987.1	310.0	206.2	109.3	406.4	128.2	212.6	97.7	257.1	1,934.6	779.8	2,714.4
1967—												
June	965.9	299.0	201.9	105.4	398.4	122.5	201.8	92.0	248.4	1,878.4	756.9	2,635.3
July	966.1	298.7	201.8	105.3	397.1	122.8	201.8	92.1	249.1	1,877.1	757.7	2,634.8
August	966.3	299.2	202.6	105.2	398.8	123.0	202.5	92.9	249.4	1,881.9	758.1	2,640.0
September	968.7	299.7	203.1	105.0	400.2	123.2	202.8	93.8	249.1	1,887.9	757.9	2,645.8
October	972.0	300.7	204.1	105.2	401.6	123.6	203.3	94.7	249.2	1,895.5	758.6	2,654.1
November	977.5	303.0	204.8	105.1	407.3	124.2	203.7	95.4	250.0	1,910.0	760.9	2,670.9
December	973.5	301.9	204.5	105.6	410.3	125.0	204.1	97.6	253.3	1,910.8	765.0	2,675.8
1968—												
January	975.6	301.2	204.5	107.1	406.0	126.4	206.0	97.2	254.1	1,910.9	767.2	2,678.1
February	984.6	304.9	204.6	108.8	408.0	126.6	210.0	97.8	255.9	1,925.0	774.2	2,699.2
March	987.4	306.3	204.6	109.3	405.6	127.0	210.4	97.8	255.8	1,928.2	776.0	2,704.2
April	985.4	308.8	205.2	109.2	405.5	127.6	211.3	97.6	256.0	1,928.2	778.2	2,706.4
May	986.1	310.0	205.9	109.3	406.3	128.0	211.8	97.7	257.1	1,932.5	779.6	2,712.1
June	987.1	310.0	206.2	109.3	406.4	128.2	212.6	97.7	257.1	1,934.6	779.8	2,714.4
July	988.7	309.8	206.1	109.4	405.5	128.4	212.6	98.0	257.6	1,936.4	779.9	2,716.3
August	989.5	309.8	206.9	109.3	406.5	128.7	213.0	98.4	257.5	1,940.8	778.6	2,719.4
September	991.1	310.5	r 206.6	109.2	407.7	129.0	213.6	99.8	256.0	r 1,946.2	777.2	2,723.4
October	992.1	309.1	207.4	109.2	409.6	129.2	213.9	99.9	255.8	1,951.9	774.3	2,726.3
Females												
1964—June	277.6	5.8	18.1	60.0	221.7	39.1	255.5	86.0	27.7	815.1	176.3	991.4
1965—June	293.8	6.6	19.4	63.6	233.1	42.0	269.5	93.5	29.6	863.2	187.8	1,051.0
1966—June	297.1	7.1	21.0	67.5	242.4	46.2	283.7	100.0	31.2	894.4	201.8	1,096.2
1967—June	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.1	251.0	49.4	296.6	105.5	32.6	927.1	212.7	1,139.8
1968—June	313.2	8.2	22.7	73.1	258.3	51.9	314.5	113.1	33.5	964.3	224.2	1,188.5
1967—												
June	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.1	251.0	49.4	296.6	105.5	32.6	927.1	212.7	1,139.8
July	305.3	7.6	21.7	69.9	249.8	50.2	297.3	105.8	32.5	926.7	213.3	1,140.0
August	306.1	7.6	21.8	69.6	250.3	50.3	298.1	107.1	32.6	929.9	213.5	1,143.4
September	308.0	7.7	21.9	69.4	251.2	50.1	298.8	107.8	32.8	933.6	214.1	1,147.7
October	310.4	7.7	21.9	69.5	253.9	50.2	299.6	108.5	33.2	940.5	214.5	1,155.0
November	312.1	7.8	22.0	69.9	261.0	50.8	300.4	109.4	33.7	951.2	215.9	1,167.1
December	309.2	7.8	21.9	70.4	262.6	50.9	298.0	110.7	34.4	951.1	214.8	1,165.9
1968—												
January	308.5	7.9	22.1	71.5	254.6	51.2	299.2	110.3	33.7	943.2	215.9	1,159.1
February	315.3	8.0	22.2	72.9	254.7	51.5	307.1	111.5	33.7	954.9	222.0	1,176.9
March	317.6	8.1	22.6	73.1	255.2	51.5	310.9	112.6	33.6	962.3	222.7	1,185.0
April	313.0	8.2	22.6	72.8	255.9	51.7	312.9	113.1	33.6	959.5	223.1	1,182.6
May	313.3	8.2	22.7	73.0	258.0	51.9	314.5	113.1	33.5	963.0	223.6	1,186.6
June	313.2	8.2	22.7	73.1	258.3	52.8	315.5	113.4	33.4	965.0	225.3	1,190.3
July	313.5	8.3	22.7	73.3	257.5	52.9	316.0	114.3	33.5	967.7	225.0	1,192.7
August	314.0	8.4	22.7	73.1	257.8	52.8	317.9	115.4	33.6	r 974.5	225.7	r 1,200.2
September	r 315.9	8.5	22.9	72.9	260.3	52.6	318.5	116.1	34.2	981.3	226.1	1,207.4
October	317.6	8.5	23.0	72.9	264.1							

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups										
	Manufacturing (b)		Building and con- struction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce		Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Com- munity and business services (c)	Amuse- ment, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other in- dustries (d)
	Original	Season- ally adjusted				Original	Season- ally adjusted				
Persons											
1959—June	1,051.8	1,057	266.9	201.6	116.2	520.9	525	124.5	337.7	139.3	245.9
1960—June	1,110.7	1,116	272.0	202.2	126.5	542.7	547	125.2	356.5	143.7	247.0
1961—June	1,055.1	1,060	279.7	207.4	134.6	552.6	557	129.6	374.5	148.9	250.8
1962—June	1,105.7	1,111	280.9	201.9	137.7	559.7	564	133.6	393.5	149.0	251.5
1963—June	1,139.1	1,143	287.1	204.2	142.8	580.3	584	138.9	412.0	156.4	254.1
1964—June	1,198.5	1,201	295.8	210.6	152.1	602.9	606	144.8	433.9	164.2	258.2
1965—June	1,246.1	1,248	305.6	217.3	160.4	625.9	629	152.1	455.9	176.7	264.1
1966—June	1,252.3	1,253	317.2	222.8	169.1	638.5	642	162.7	478.7	187.8	273.5
1967—June	1,271.4	1,272	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
1968—June	1,300.2	1,301	318.2	228.9	182.5	664.7	668	180.1	527.0	210.8	290.5
1966—											
September	1,249.6	1,254	312.0	223.1	168.1	639.0	644	165.0	481.7	191.9	275.4
October	1,254.5	1,257	310.3	222.9	167.7	643.4	645	165.4	481.8	192.9	275.9
November	1,259.7	1,259	308.9	223.8	168.4	656.0	646	166.8	482.7	195.3	276.8
December	1,255.1	1,262	306.4	224.1	170.3	660.4	646	167.9	479.9	198.1	279.5
1967—											
January	1,260.0	1,265	305.2	223.4	173.2	649.6	648	169.6	481.5	197.3	278.8
February	1,273.1	1,265	306.9	223.3	175.2	648.8	649	170.4	492.2	197.3	279.9
March	1,277.0	1,266	305.3	223.8	175.5	647.3	649	171.6	494.2	198.2	279.5
April	1,274.2	1,269	305.9	223.8	175.6	648.8	650	171.8	495.4	197.8	279.2
May	1,272.5	1,271	308.3	223.9	175.4	649.6	651	172.3	497.4	198.2	280.3
June	1,271.4	1,272	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
July	1,271.4	1,274	306.2	223.5	175.2	646.9	653	173.0	499.1	197.8	281.6
August	1,272.4	1,276	306.8	224.4	174.8	649.1	656	173.3	500.6	200.0	282.0
September	1,276.7	1,282	307.3	224.9	174.7	651.4	656	173.4	501.6	201.5	281.9
October	1,282.3	1,286	308.5	226.0	174.5	655.5	657	173.8	502.9	203.2	282.4
November	1,289.6	1,289	310.8	226.8	175.0	668.3	658	175.0	504.1	204.8	283.6
December	1,282.7	1,290	309.7	226.4	176.0	672.9	659	175.9	502.1	208.3	287.7
1968—											
January	1,284.1	1,289	309.1	226.7	178.6	660.6	659	177.6	505.2	207.5	287.8
February	1,299.9	1,291	312.9	226.8	181.7	660.7	661	178.1	517.2	209.3	289.7
March	1,305.0	1,293	314.4	227.2	182.3	660.8	662	178.4	521.3	210.4	289.4
April	1,298.4	1,293	316.9	227.8	182.0	661.4	663	179.1	523.1	210.5	289.7
May	1,299.4	1,297	318.2	228.6	182.4	664.3	666	179.7	524.7	210.7	290.7
June	1,300.2	1,301	318.2	228.9	182.5	664.7	668	180.1	527.0	210.8	290.5
July	1,302.2	1,305	318.1	228.8	182.7	662.9	669	181.2	528.2	211.4	291.0
August	1,303.5	1,307	318.2	229.6	182.3	664.3	671	181.6	529.0	212.7	291.0
September	1,306.9	1,312	319.0	229.5	182.1	668.0	673	181.8	531.5	215.2	289.6
October	1,309.7	1,313	317.6	230.4	182.1	673.8	675	181.8	532.4	215.9	290.0

(a) The figures in this table, except those relating to government employees, are based on comprehensive data from the Population Censuses of June 1954 and June 1961. Estimates for months subsequent to June 1961 are derived from current pay-roll tax returns, returns of government employment, other direct records of employment, and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The figures are not directly comparable with statistics derived from the 1966 Population Census, for which new work force definitions were adopted. Estimates for June 1966 and subsequent months will be revised as soon as possible. The new series, which will be at a higher level than the present series, will be based on 1966 census benchmarks. In due course the estimates for periods prior to the census of June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks, the information needed to revise these benchmarks on the 1966 census basis is not being available. (b) Includes employees engaged in selling and distribution, etc., as well as those occupied directly in manufacturing activity. (c) Includes law and order; religion and social welfare; health services; education; and other community and business services. (d) Includes forestry, fishing and trapping; mining and quarrying; electricity, gas, water and sanitary services; and communication. (e) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	Total males		Total females		Total persons					
					Private		Government		Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1959—June	2,186	2,186	819	823	2,211	2,220	794	790	3,005	3,009
1960—June	2,257	2,257	870	874	2,328	2,338	799	795	3,127	3,132
1961—June	2,264	2,265	869	873	2,309	2,318	824	820	3,133	3,138
1962—June	2,308	2,308	906	910	2,371	2,379	842	839	3,214	3,218
1963—June	2,376	2,375	939	942	2,452	2,459	863	859	3,315	3,318
1964—June	2,469	2,468	991	995	2,577	2,583	883	880	3,461	3,463
1965—June	b 2,553	2,552	1,051	1,054	b 2,698	2,702	906	903	b 3,604	3,605
1966—June	2,607	2,605	1,096	1,099	2,756	2,760	947	944	3,703	3,704
1967—June	2,635	2,634	1,140	1,143	2,806	2,809	970	967	3,775	3,776
1968—June	2,714	2,713	1,189	1,191	2,899	2,903	1,004	1,001	3,903	3,904
1966—										
September	2,601	2,611	1,105	1,108	2,758	2,768	948	952	3,706	3,720
October	2,604	2,615	1,111	1,112	2,767	2,772	948	955	3,715	3,727
November	2,616	2,618	1,123	1,116	2,788	2,788	950	956	3,738	3,734
December	2,622	2,624	1,120	1,119	2,788	2,783	954	960	3,742	3,743
1967—										
January	2,622	2,623	1,116	1,123	2,782	2,788	956	960	3,739	3,746
February	2,634	2,622	1,133	1,129	2,800	2,790	967	961	3,767	3,751
March	2,633	2,623	1,139	1,130	2,805	2,791	967	962	3,772	3,754
April	2,633	2,625	1,139	1,137	2,805	2,799	968	963	3,773	3,762
May	2,638	2,631	1,140	1,140	2,808	2,805	970	965	3,778	3,771
June	2,635	2,634	1,140	1,143	2,806	2,809	970	967	3,775	3,776
July	2,635	2,640	1,140	1,145	2,804	2,815	971	970	3,775	3,785
August	2,640	2,647	1,143	1,149	2,812	2,824	972	972	3,783	3,796
September	2,646	2,656	1,148	1,152	2,822	2,832	972	976	3,794	3,808
October	2,654	2,665	1,155	1,156	2,836	2,842	973	980	3,809	3,822
November	2,671	2,673	1,167	1,160	2,861	2,851	977	983	3,838	3,833
December	2,676	2,678	1,166	1,165	2,862	2,858	980	985	3,842	3,842
1968—										
January	2,678	2,679	1,159	1,166	2,854	2,860	983	987	3,837	3,845
February	2,699	2,687	1,177	1,172	2,880	2,869	996	990	3,876	3,859
March	2,704	2,693	1,185	1,176	2,891	2,876	999	993	3,889	3,870
April	2,706	2,698	1,183	1,180	2,888	2,882	1,001	996	3,889	3,878
May	2,712	2,705	1,187	1,187	2,896	2,893	1,003	998	3,899	3,891
June	2,714	2,713	1,189	1,191	2,899	2,903	1,004	1,001	3,903	3,904
July	2,716	2,722	1,190	1,195	2,902	2,913	1,005	1,004	3,907	3,917
August	2,719	2,727	1,193	1,198	2,909	2,921	1,004	1,004	3,912	3,925
September	2,723	2,734	1,200	1,204	2,921	2,932	1,003	1,007	3,924	3,939
October	2,726	2,738	1,207	1,208	2,934	2,940	1,000	1,007	3,934	3,947

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6.

(b) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Males									
1964—June	947.7	702.8	(c)316.8	229.4	164.3	77.4	8.9	21.9	2,469.3
1965—June(c)	976.9	723.5	329.1	239.9	171.5	78.4	9.5	24.2	2,553.1
1966—June	996.2	733.4	336.6	242.1	180.7	81.1	10.5	26.0	2,606.6
1967—June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
1968—June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
1967—									
March	1,005.7	746.8	333.3	243.8	183.1	83.1	10.6	26.9	2,633.2
April	1,006.3	745.5	334.0	243.6	182.8	83.3	10.9	27.0	2,633.3
May	1,007.3	746.1	336.1	243.3	183.9	83.0	11.4	27.3	2,638.3
June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
July	1,004.3	744.0	336.8	243.3	184.9	82.3	11.9	27.5	2,634.8
August	1,006.5	745.0	337.5	243.7	185.2	82.3	12.0	27.8	2,640.0
September	1,008.6	746.4	338.0	243.8	186.7	82.4	12.0	28.0	2,645.8
October	1,011.8	748.8	337.8	245.1	188.3	82.1	12.0	28.2	2,654.1
November	1,017.8	755.0	338.1	246.7	190.3	82.5	11.8	28.6	2,670.9
December	1,020.7	759.2	332.6	247.4	191.6	83.7	11.6	28.8	2,675.8
1968—									
January	1,019.6	759.5	333.0	248.0	193.2	84.0	11.6	29.2	2,678.1
February	1,025.0	764.1	339.1	250.6	195.4	84.3	11.6	29.1	2,699.2
March	1,026.7	764.5	340.8	250.6	196.2	84.2	12.0	29.2	2,704.2
April	1,028.3	763.4	342.1	250.1	196.3	84.5	12.3	29.4	2,706.4
May	1,030.8	763.9	343.5	249.6	197.3	84.8	12.7	29.5	2,712.1
June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
July	1,031.0	764.1	346.3	249.6	198.2	84.1	13.5	29.4	2,716.3
August	1,031.9	764.4	347.0	249.9	199.0	84.2	13.6	29.5	2,719.4
September	1,034.9	764.3	347.1	249.7	199.9	84.1	13.8	29.5	2,723.4
October	1,037.9	764.3	346.6	249.7	199.9	84.2	13.8	29.7	2,726.2
Females									
1964—June	390.7	300.6	115.5	86.0	58.5	27.1	3.0	10.0	991.4
1965—June	412.6	316.3	123.1	93.4	62.7	28.1	3.2	11.5	1,051.0
1966—June	426.7	328.4	128.9	97.7	68.0	29.8	3.6	13.1	1,096.2
1967—June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
1968—June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
1967—									
March	442.5	342.6	132.8	100.7	71.5	31.0	3.8	14.3	1,139.2
April	442.1	342.5	133.1	100.1	72.0	31.2	3.9	14.3	1,139.3
May	442.2	341.9	133.9	99.9	72.2	31.2	4.0	14.4	1,139.7
June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
July	443.0	341.1	134.4	99.8	72.4	30.5	4.1	14.5	1,140.0
August	444.6	341.9	134.7	100.2	72.8	30.4	4.2	14.7	1,143.4
September	446.8	342.6	135.3	100.5	73.0	30.4	4.2	14.9	1,147.7
October	449.8	344.3	136.2	101.3	73.7	30.5	4.2	14.9	1,155.0
November	454.7	348.3	136.8	102.5	74.7	30.8	4.2	15.1	1,167.1
December	454.8	347.9	136.5	102.5	73.5	31.4	4.2	15.3	1,165.9
1968—									
January	449.9	346.5	135.8	102.6	73.3	31.4	4.1	15.4	1,159.1
February	453.4	352.0	138.0	105.3	76.6	31.6	4.3	15.7	1,176.9
March	456.7	353.7	138.3	106.3	77.6	32.1	4.5	15.8	1,185.0
April	456.7	351.3	138.4	105.5	77.9	32.2	4.6	15.9	1,182.6
May	458.9	351.6	139.5	105.7	78.2	32.1	4.7	16.0	1,186.6
June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
July	461.3	351.5	140.7	105.6	79.0	31.5	4.9	16.0	1,190.3
August	462.3	352.6	140.3	105.9	79.3	31.3	4.9	16.1	1,192.7
September	466.1	353.9	141.1	106.4	80.2	31.3	5.0	16.2	1,200.2
October	470.9	355.4	141.1	106.7	80.6	31.3	5.0	16.4	1,207.4

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Persons									
1959—June	1,157.6	875.2	387.7	269.5	193.3	93.6	8.8	19.0	3,004.7
1960—June	1,213.3	913.2	396.0	279.0	197.9	97.1	9.2	20.8	3,126.5
1961—June	1,220.1	909.8	393.8	279.8	199.7	98.1	9.6	22.3	3,133.2
1962—June	1,253.2	930.8	399.2	287.9	208.1	99.1	10.0	25.2	3,213.5
1963—June	1,285.0	960.6	413.4	300.5	214.9	100.4	10.9	29.1	3,314.8
1964—June	1,338.4	1,003.3	(c)432.3	315.5	222.9	104.5	11.9	31.9	3,460.7
1965—June(c)	1,389.5	1,039.8	452.2	333.3	234.2	106.5	12.7	35.7	3,604.1
1966—June	1,422.9	1,061.8	465.5	339.8	248.7	110.9	14.1	39.1	3,702.8
1967—June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
1968—June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
1966—									
September	1,425.0	1,062.5	466.5	338.0	249.1	110.5	14.4	39.6	3,705.7
October	1,430.3	1,066.5	465.5	338.0	249.3	111.1	14.5	39.7	3,714.9
November	1,441.0	1,073.7	466.3	339.3	251.6	111.9	14.4	40.3	3,738.4
December	1,444.0	1,078.2	460.1	339.9	251.3	113.1	14.3	40.8	3,741.7
1967—									
January	1,437.7	1,080.0	460.8	341.1	250.9	113.0	14.2	40.9	3,738.6
February	1,444.7	1,091.1	465.8	343.1	253.8	113.3	14.2	41.0	3,767.0
March	1,448.2	1,089.4	466.1	344.5	254.6	114.1	14.4	41.2	3,772.4
April	1,448.4	1,088.0	467.1	343.7	254.8	114.5	14.8	41.3	3,772.6
May	1,449.5	1,088.0	470.0	343.2	256.1	114.2	15.4	41.7	3,778.0
June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
July	1,447.3	1,085.1	471.2	343.1	257.3	112.8	16.0	42.0	3,774.8
August	1,451.1	1,086.9	472.2	343.9	258.0	112.7	16.2	42.5	3,783.4
September	1,455.4	1,089.0	473.3	344.3	259.7	112.8	16.2	42.9	3,793.5
October	1,461.6	1,093.1	474.0	346.4	262.0	112.6	16.2	43.1	3,809.1
November	1,472.5	1,103.3	474.9	349.2	265.0	113.3	16.0	43.7	3,838.0
December	1,475.5	1,107.1	469.1	349.9	265.1	115.1	15.8	44.1	3,841.7
1968—									
January	1,469.5	1,106.0	468.8	350.6	266.5	115.4	15.7	44.6	3,837.2
February	1,478.4	1,116.1	477.1	355.9	272.0	115.9	15.9	44.8	3,876.1
March	1,483.4	1,118.2	479.1	356.9	273.8	116.3	16.5	45.0	3,889.2
April	1,485.0	1,114.7	480.5	355.6	274.2	116.7	16.9	45.3	3,889.0
May	1,489.7	1,115.5	483.0	355.3	275.5	116.9	17.4	45.5	3,898.7
June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
July	1,492.3	1,115.6	487.0	355.2	277.2	115.6	18.4	45.4	3,906.6
August	1,494.2	1,117.0	487.3	355.8	278.3	115.5	18.5	45.6	3,912.1
September	1,501.0	1,118.2	488.2	356.1	280.1	115.4	18.8	45.7	3,923.6
October	1,508.8	1,119.7	487.7	356.4	280.5	115.5	18.8	46.1	3,933.6

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6.

(b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.

(c) Affected by industrial disputes.

PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES (Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia*
1964—June	18,400	10,137	7,558	4,339	5,141	2,968	48,543
1965—June	15,670	8,771	8,360	3,533	3,576	2,235	42,145
1966—June	22,837	14,026	9,735	7,357	3,370	1,695	59,020
1967—June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
1968—June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
1967—							
June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
July	24,527	16,257	10,476	8,463	3,446	2,216	65,385
August	22,493	15,352	8,602	8,046	3,142	2,153	59,788
September	19,901	14,672	7,171	6,949	2,411	2,096	53,200
October	18,847	12,995	6,723	6,091	2,240	1,738	48,634
November	24,068	15,288	12,432	6,244	3,029	1,961	63,022
December	24,252	23,930	18,195	10,304	3,844	3,064	83,589
1968—							
January	29,024	25,665	21,625	11,366	5,360	3,173	96,213
February	24,776	20,852	17,659	9,006	4,466	2,390	79,149
March	21,595	19,227	14,972	8,308	3,626	1,635	69,363
April	20,795	19,582	13,347	8,118	3,430	1,714	66,986
May	20,949	19,850	12,767	8,192	3,666	1,922	67,346
June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
July	20,424	18,361	8,414	8,018	4,282	1,933	61,432
August	17,865	15,705	7,244	7,107	3,599	2,021	53,541
September	16,363	14,132	6,618	6,207	3,150	1,892	48,362
October	16,419	13,399	6,237	5,716	2,901	1,816	46,488
November	21,647	13,652	11,896	6,043	3,177	(e) 3,347	59,762

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1964—June	25,305	25,288	23,238	23,267	48,543	48,471
1965—June	22,403	22,531	19,742	19,997	42,145	42,456
1966—June	36,066	36,306	22,954	23,415	59,020	59,674
1967—June	43,166	43,465	25,325	25,904	68,491	69,350
1968—June	39,351	39,628	25,902	26,539	65,253	66,112
1967—						
June	43,166	43,465	25,325	25,904	68,491	69,350
July	40,921	43,017	24,464	26,491	65,385	69,600
August	37,648	43,300	22,140	26,774	59,788	70,007
September	32,674	41,167	20,526	26,271	53,200	67,855
October	28,638	38,819	19,996	25,974	48,634	64,728
November	36,792	40,640	26,230	27,717	63,022	68,515
December	52,613	39,953	30,976	27,735	83,589	67,984
1968—						
January	60,305	40,957	35,908	27,560	96,213	68,528
February	45,879	40,827	33,270	26,812	79,149	67,368
March	39,644	41,961	29,719	27,346	69,363	69,006
April	39,190	41,870	27,796	27,039	66,986	68,704
May	40,577	42,534	26,769	26,796	67,346	69,215
June	39,351	39,628	25,902	26,539	65,253	66,112
July	37,685	39,668	23,747	25,784	61,432	65,493
August	32,637	37,557	20,904	25,308	53,541	62,768
September	28,663	36,145	19,699	25,255	48,362	61,765
October	27,568	37,406	18,920	24,603	46,488	61,901
November	35,862	39,583	23,900	25,184	59,762	64,888

(a) Persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unemployed. Includes those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. Includes also persons receiving unemployment benefit. (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) Affected by earlier school leaving dates.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below

VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1964—June	12,090	14,141	4,540	3,425	1,143	601	35,940
1965—June	15,602	17,901	3,769	4,356	2,422	639	44,689
1966—June	10,734	13,751	3,239	1,507	2,965	825	33,021
1967—June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
1968—June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
1967—							
June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
July	10,685	10,904	2,339	1,379	2,427	1,501	29,235
August	11,567	11,443	2,814	1,691	2,945	1,535	31,995
September	12,361	12,146	3,219	1,885	3,621	1,787	35,019
October	13,582	13,137	3,491	2,217	4,206	1,687	38,320
November	15,219	13,387	3,456	2,089	4,284	2,935	41,370
December	14,846	17,617	2,979	3,659	3,470	2,849	45,420
1968—							
January	15,878	18,762	2,858	3,128	3,890	2,106	46,622
February	14,335	13,460	2,603	2,076	3,803	2,119	38,396
March	13,212	11,942	2,614	1,992	3,769	1,458	34,987
April	12,148	10,188	2,480	1,769	3,720	1,163	31,468
May	11,887	9,678	2,719	1,785	3,307	1,186	30,562
June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
July	12,465	9,958	2,612	1,715	2,530	948	30,228
August	13,879	10,967	2,970	1,844	3,067	1,038	33,765
September	15,985	11,922	3,026	2,090	3,597	1,020	37,640
October	17,857	12,754	3,210	2,400	4,013	1,063	41,297
November	19,673	12,664	3,027	2,375	4,314	1,802	43,855

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted (e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (e)
1964—June	26,002	..	9,938	..	35,940	..
1965—June	32,071	..	12,618	..	44,689	..
1966—June	22,116	..	10,905	..	33,021	..
1967—June	18,669	..	10,666	..	29,335	..
1968—June	18,662	..	10,060	..	28,722	..
1967—						
June	18,669	..	10,666	..	29,335	..
July	18,136	..	11,099	..	29,235	..
August	19,320	..	12,675	..	31,995	..
September	21,364	..	13,655	..	35,019	..
October	24,359	..	13,961	..	38,320	..
November	27,792	..	13,578	..	41,370	..
December	31,044	..	14,376	..	45,420	..
1968—						
January	31,997	..	14,625	..	46,622	..
February	25,746	..	12,650	..	38,396	..
March	23,715	..	11,272	..	34,987	..
April	20,975	..	10,493	..	31,468	..
May	29,289	..	10,274	..	30,562	..
June	18,662	..	10,060	..	28,722	..
July	18,760	..	11,468	..	30,228	..
August	19,803	..	13,963	..	33,765	..
September	22,460	..	15,180	..	37,640	..
October	25,033	..	16,264	..	41,297	..
November	27,689	..	16,166	..	43,855	..

(a) Vacancies which employers claimed were available immediately or would be available by the end of the following calendar month.

From 1967, vacancies for school leavers have been included in the month preceding the month in which they could actually be filled.

(b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory.

(e) Publication of seasonally adjusted figures has been suspended pending analysis of the effects of the administrative change referred to in note (a).

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

PERSONS ON BENEFIT

(Source : Department of Social Services)

UNEMPLOYMENT

Period(a)	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (b)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia(b) (c)					
							Males		Females		Persons	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
June												
1959	12,062	6,013	4,477	1,332	2,939	670	19,691	18,385	7,837	6,750	27,528	25,223
1960	5,605	3,676	3,064	1,380	2,293	500	11,399	10,440	5,142	4,427	16,541	14,904
1961	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	38,711	11,775	10,155	54,254	48,640
1962	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	29,669	13,923	12,073	46,324	41,669
1963	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	22,440	13,988	12,260	38,188	34,731
1964	6,851	3,380	2,803	1,267	2,367	1,399	9,478	8,896	8,651	7,689	18,129	16,690
1965	4,667	1,960	3,239	703	1,137	926	6,753	6,398	5,903	5,324	12,656	11,776
1966	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,544	6,904	6,291	19,058	17,819
1967	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,058	7,561	6,927	23,394	21,932
1968	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,702	7,925	7,284	21,275	19,977
1966-67—												
October	6,366	3,089	2,753	2,864	581	453	10,626	14,309	5,496	6,901	16,122	21,124
November	6,500	2,747	3,078	2,648	512	404	10,386	14,107	5,534	6,766	15,920	20,748
December	9,026	3,980	8,351	3,480	941	465	19,373	14,459	6,919	6,891	26,292	21,832
January	8,225	3,835	8,092	3,538	818	452	17,866	13,457	7,160	6,820	25,026	20,338
February	7,344	3,061	7,603	3,050	676	388	14,904	13,614	7,280	6,698	22,184	20,297
March	7,121	2,902	7,984	2,962	736	334	14,604	15,641	7,501	6,942	22,105	22,418
April	7,040	3,269	6,510	3,148	625	315	13,436	13,789	7,508	6,872	20,944	20,552
May	7,390	3,705	6,348	3,524	619	380	14,488	14,405	7,523	6,916	22,011	21,257
June	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,058	7,561	6,927	23,394	21,932
1967-68—												
July	8,517	4,530	4,272	4,147	855	597	15,542	15,139	7,409	6,968	22,951	22,053
August	7,882	4,373	3,342	3,789	736	620	13,976	14,931	6,791	7,012	20,767	21,859
September	6,603	3,926	2,620	2,997	494	533	11,408	13,829	5,779	6,785	17,187	20,512
October	6,013	3,505	2,345	2,593	396	419	9,806	13,255	5,481	6,894	15,287	20,090
November	6,096	3,472	2,856	2,500	360	432	9,869	13,441	5,866	7,157	15,735	20,537
December	8,770	5,229	7,411	3,665	673	536	18,738	13,877	7,583	7,526	26,321	21,703
January	8,267	4,954	8,620	3,691	629	536	18,762	14,096	7,973	7,573	26,735	21,665
February	7,271	4,238	8,310	3,209	606	474	15,701	14,338	8,465	7,766	24,166	22,110
March	6,079	4,197	6,804	2,907	574	361	12,669	13,593	8,288	7,667	20,957	21,255
April	6,457	5,007	5,470	3,197	541	396	12,911	13,269	8,179	7,483	21,090	20,717
May	6,231	5,671	5,699	3,185	491	453	13,671	13,576	8,098	7,450	21,769	21,013
June	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,702	7,925	7,284	21,275	19,977
1968-69—												
July	6,250	5,704	3,157	3,314	728	642	12,770	12,483	7,054	6,655	19,824	19,098
August	5,402	4,723	2,612	2,838	536	667	10,702	11,458	6,095	6,303	16,797	17,718
September	4,507	3,960	2,306	2,420	388	615	8,917	10,822	5,292	6,211	14,209	16,996
October	4,156	3,939	2,050	2,233	384	565	8,475	11,484	4,860	6,121	13,335	17,546
November	4,599	3,723	3,322	2,170	370	575	9,459	12,905	5,307	6,472	14,766	19,277

SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS: AUSTRALIA

Period(a)	Sickness	Special		Period(a)	Sickness	Special	
		Ordinary	Migrant(d)			Ordinary	Migrant(d)
June				1967-68—			
1964	10,776	2,577	105	January	9,160	2,231	518
1965	10,187	2,423	90	February	9,598	2,256	302
1966	10,220	2,329	222	March	10,164	2,313	219
1967	10,459	2,148	322	April	9,552	2,208	265
1968	9,370	2,665	299	May	9,608	2,231	193
				June	9,370	2,665	299
1967-68—				1968-69—			
October	10,337	2,251	191	July	9,241	3,369	253
November	10,312	2,160	272	August	9,001	3,896	279
December	9,327	2,176	753	September	8,798	4,006	261
				October	8,493	4,010	471
				November	8,784	4,033	593

(a) At last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Torres Strait Islanders from February 1967. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (d) In accommodation centres.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES (a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Gro- ceries (b)	But- chers' meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Cloth- ing and dra- perry	Foot- wear	Hard- ware (d)	Elec- trical goods (e)	Furni- ture	Chem- ists' goods	News- papers, books and sta- tionery	Other goods (f)	Total (excl. motor vehi- cles, etc.)	Motor vehi- cles, parts, petrol, etc.(g)
Quarterly average														
1958-59	184.3	89.2	154.2	123.6	198.7	32.3	32.8	77.5	48.9	48.5	36.3	102.5	1,128.7	345.5
1959-60	195.5	96.7	167.6	131.4	217.0	36.1	35.3	93.5	57.3	54.0	38.9	113.2	1,236.3	413.7
1960-61	208.3	105.4	176.3	134.6	225.3	38.4	36.3	88.6	58.6	60.7	40.0	121.0	1,293.3	412.4
1961-62	214.6	105.6	182.5	136.5	225.0	38.7	36.5	87.0	57.5	66.5	41.6	122.4	1,314.3	400.8
1962-63	223.2	111.2	191.3	143.6	232.4	40.6	38.8	91.8	61.3	71.1	43.2	130.0	1,378.3	496.5
1963-64	234.8	117.2	198.4	148.2	253.5	42.8	38.5	97.4	68.0	76.4	47.7	140.2	1,463.0	548.9
1964-65	253.9	127.2	210.8	157.8	269.1	44.3	40.7	103.6	75.5	83.6	50.6	151.1	1,568.0	591.7
1965-66	272.7	136.5	221.3	171.0	279.0	45.1	41.0	100.0	77.4	90.5	53.1	161.5	1,649.0	587.6
1966-67	290.4	146.8	234.0	185.2	291.5	49.3	43.8	101.6	80.0	96.8	57.8	172.3	1,749.5	618.3
1967-68	312.2	152.8	246.1	200.9	310.5	52.4	46.0	111.1	87.4	104.2	61.4	179.9	1,864.8	689.3
Quarterly total														
1965-66—														
September	267.0	136.1	212.5	152.7	265.2	42.7	36.9	98.0	78.2	86.6	47.6	149.8	1,573.3	618.8
December	292.1	138.6	233.6	190.8	323.0	50.8	51.7	116.6	89.5	100.8	61.2	197.1	1,845.8	584.0
March	259.3	131.1	219.3	176.2	231.7	38.8	36.9	92.1	69.0	84.6	54.4	146.1	1,539.5	560.7
June	272.3	140.0	219.9	164.3	295.9	48.2	38.4	93.4	72.9	89.9	49.3	152.8	1,637.3	587.1
1966-67—														
September	282.1	145.0	224.1	166.8	269.6	45.7	38.6	97.1	79.3	93.9	52.6	161.0	1,655.8	599.3
December	310.8	146.2	245.8	206.5	337.0	55.9	55.2	117.1	92.4	108.7	64.9	208.4	1,948.9	643.1
March	279.7	144.0	235.6	190.1	245.4	41.8	40.3	94.0	70.2	90.2	59.5	158.0	1,648.8	593.6
June	289.1	152.0	230.6	177.2	314.1	53.7	41.1	98.1	78.0	94.5	54.3	161.7	1,744.4	637.2
1967-68—														
September	303.2	155.3	235.5	180.6	295.9	50.2	40.9	102.4	86.4	99.8	55.7	169.7	1,775.6	672.0
December	330.7	152.9	257.1	222.1	360.9	60.6	58.8	128.6	101.9	116.6	68.6	215.7	2,074.5	704.7
March	305.6	147.5	246.7	213.2	257.2	44.3	41.7	106.9	76.9	97.7	64.7	163.8	1,766.2	656.5
June	309.3	155.5	245.0	187.7	328.1	54.5	42.5	106.3	84.5	102.6	56.4	170.3	1,842.7	724.0
1968-69—														
September	316.1	154.7	243.1	190.5	306.0	49.2	43.2	107.9	93.2	107.6	59.2	181.5	1,852.2	711.9
Monthly total														
1968—														
June	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	586.2	..
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	616.7	..
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	638.3	..
September	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	597.2	..
October p.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	658.5	..
November p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	688.4	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television, and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1967 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see page 14.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES (a) : COMMODITY GROUPS

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Food and drink		Clothing, hardware, electrical, furniture		Other		Total (excluding motor vehicles, etc.)		Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1958-59	551.3	..	390.2	..	187.3	..	1,128.7	..	345.5	..
1959-60	591.2	..	439.2	..	206.1	..	1,236.3	..	413.7	..
1960-61	624.5	..	447.2	..	221.7	..	1,293.3	..	412.4	..
1961-62	639.1	..	444.7	..	230.5	..	1,314.3	..	400.8	..
1962-63	669.3	..	464.9	..	244.3	..	1,378.3	..	496.5	..
1963-64	698.6	..	500.1	..	264.3	..	1,463.0	..	548.9	..
1964-65	749.6	..	533.1	..	285.3	..	1,568.0	..	591.7	..
1965-66	801.5	..	542.5	..	305.1	..	1,649.0	..	587.6	..
1966-67	856.4	..	566.2	..	326.9	..	1,749.5	..	618.3	..
1967-68	912.0	..	607.4	..	345.4	..	1,864.8	..	689.3	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—										
September	768.3	784.5	521.0	539.2	284.0	296.2	1,573.3	1,620.9	618.8	604.9
December	855.1	797.3	631.6	540.6	359.1	302.9	1,845.8	1,639.8	584.0	560.9
March	785.9	803.6	468.5	545.3	285.1	308.2	1,539.5	1,658.6	560.7	591.9
June	796.5	822.0	548.8	543.9	292.0	313.3	1,637.3	1,677.6	587.1	592.4
1966-67—										
September	818.0	833.0	530.3	547.3	307.5	319.6	1,655.8	1,701.7	599.3	587.5
December	909.3	850.6	657.6	564.5	382.0	323.7	1,948.9	1,737.0	643.1	618.4
March	849.4	864.1	491.7	569.1	307.7	330.5	1,648.8	1,767.2	593.6	625.5
June	848.9	876.1	585.0	580.4	310.5	333.5	1,744.4	1,787.3	637.2	641.7
1967-68—										
September	874.6	894.3	575.8	596.7	325.2	339.5	1,775.6	1,832.4	672.0	659.5
December	962.8	906.6	710.8	614.3	400.9	342.1	2,074.5	1,860.5	704.7	678.2
March	913.0	919.4	527.0	603.7	326.2	346.3	1,766.2	1,873.0	656.5	691.1
June	897.5	926.2	615.9	611.0	329.3	353.7	1,842.7	1,888.0	724.0	728.4
1968-69—										
September	904.4	925.7	599.5	622.5	348.3	363.9	1,852.2	1,913.4	711.9	699.3
Monthly total										
1968—										
June	..	..	..	..	..	..	586.2	634.4	..	..
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	616.7	639.7	..	..
August	..	..	..	..	..	..	638.3	642.2	..	..
September p	..	..	..	..	..	..	597.2	632.0	..	..
October p	..	..	..	..	..	..	658.5	652.0	..	..
November p	..	..	..	..	..	..	688.4	653.8	..	..

(a) excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1967 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include hire purchase, time payment, budget account, and personal loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Retail businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	5.7	0.8	74.5	80.9	416.7	..
1964-65	5.5	0.6	71.8	77.9	395.6	..
1965-66	4.8	0.8	64.8	70.5	360.3	..
1966-67	5.0	0.9	63.6	69.5	339.3	..
1967-68	5.2	0.8	66.3	72.4	337.3	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
March	4.8	0.9	51.9	57.6	369.2	370.0
June	4.8	0.7	63.1	68.6	360.3	362.0
1966-67—						
September	5.1	1.1	60.2	66.4	347.9	354.7
December	5.8	1.2	78.4	85.4	362.1	352.8
March	4.6	0.7	51.5	56.8	345.2	346.0
June	4.5	0.7	64.1	69.3	339.3	340.9
1967-68—						
September	4.7	0.8	61.4	66.8	329.7	336.2
December	5.6	0.7	81.7	88.0	343.9	335.0
March	4.9	0.8	55.0	60.8	335.9	336.8
June	5.7	1.1	67.1	73.9	337.3	338.9
Non-retail finance businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	126.8	13.2	21.0	161.0	939.2	..
1964-65	140.2	16.3	21.7	178.3	1,055.2	..
1965-66	130.9	17.4	20.9	169.2	1,074.0	..
1966-67	135.5	20.9	21.1	177.5	1,103.3	..
1967-68	161.9	23.4	22.0	207.3	1,237.4	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
March	121.1	17.5	19.3	157.9	1,076.1	1,081.3
June	126.5	17.6	20.0	164.1	1,074.0	1,084.1
1966-67—						
September	130.5	16.3	22.0	168.9	1,078.2	1,079.7
December	142.5	26.3	22.6	191.5	1,106.9	1,089.5
March	126.5	19.3	19.4	165.2	1,087.6	1,093.1
June	142.4	21.6	20.4	184.4	1,103.3	1,113.2
1967-68—						
September	154.8	18.7	20.4	193.9	1,132.9	1,134.4
December	168.0	27.0	24.1	219.1	1,185.6	1,167.0
March	158.8	21.6	21.6	202.0	1,198.9	1,204.9
June	165.9	26.3	22.0	214.2	1,237.4	1,248.4

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INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

Non-retail finance businesses

(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period(a)					Collections during period(b)	Balances outstanding at end of period(b)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.		Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total		Original	Seasonally adjusted
	New	Used						
Monthly average								
1959-60	36.4		3.1	11.0	50.5	52.8	813.6	..
1960-61	31.0		3.5	8.9	43.4	56.7	803.5	..
1961-62	14.7	14.1	3.5	7.1	39.4	45.0	756.3	..
1962-63	17.9	19.1	3.9	7.2	48.0	54.6	832.5	..
1963-64	21.1	21.2	4.4	7.0	53.7	58.6	939.2	..
1964-65	24.1	22.7	5.4	7.2	59.4	63.9	1,055.2	..
1965-66	22.6	21.0	5.8	7.0	56.4	68.5	1,074.0	..
1966-67	22.9	22.3	7.0	7.0	59.2	71.2	1,103.3	..
1967-68	28.3	25.7	8.0	7.3	69.1	75.6	1,237.4	..
Monthly total								
1966-67—								
August	22.4	23.6	5.9	7.9	59.8	72.6	1,074.9	1,080.6
September	22.2	23.0	4.6	7.4	57.2	69.0	1,078.2	1,079.7
October	24.1	21.8	7.9	6.9	60.8	68.1	1,084.5	1,082.2
November	26.0	23.7	10.8	7.4	67.9	70.5	1,095.7	1,085.1
December	23.6	23.3	7.5	8.3	62.7	69.6	1,106.9	1,089.5
January	19.9	21.5	6.1	6.8	54.3	68.3	1,106.4	1,092.1
February	19.4	19.7	6.9	6.2	52.2	77.3	1,093.1	1,091.9
March	24.0	22.0	6.3	6.4	58.7	79.1	1,087.6	1,093.1
April	22.6	21.2	7.4	6.3	57.4	67.7	1,092.0	1,099.0
May	25.9	24.5	7.3	7.3	64.9	75.5	1,097.0	1,104.0
June	24.5	23.8	7.0	6.9	62.1	70.0	1,103.3	1,113.2
1967-68—								
July	24.3	22.9	6.5	6.5	60.1	72.1	1,109.5	1,119.2
August	28.3	27.2	6.6	7.0	69.2	73.8	1,122.0	1,127.8
September	27.7	24.4	5.6	6.9	64.6	69.4	1,132.9	1,134.4
October	29.7	27.7	8.9	7.5	73.7	75.3	1,150.9	1,148.4
November	30.6	27.3	10.8	8.0	76.8	75.1	1,171.2	1,159.9
December	29.1	23.6	7.3	8.5	68.6	71.0	1,185.6	1,167.0
January	26.8	25.2	6.8	7.1	65.8	73.2	1,195.5	1,180.2
February	27.2	25.1	7.5	7.2	67.1	86.7	1,193.0	1,192.0
March	29.0	25.5	7.4	7.2	69.1	81.1	1,198.9	1,204.9
April	28.7	25.3	8.1	6.8	68.9	75.5	1,210.1	1,217.9
May	32.1	29.0	9.2	7.9	78.2	82.0	1,226.6	1,234.3
June	26.0	24.9	8.9	7.3	67.1	72.0	1,237.4	1,248.4
1968-69—								
July(c)	28.5	28.3	9.3	7.4	73.5	83.5	1,247.6	1,258.4
August(c)	27.5	28.6	6.9	7.5	70.4	77.8	1,258.2	1,264.5
September(c)	27.6	27.4	7.2	7.7	69.9	76.1	1,269.9	1,271.6
October(c)	33.6	32.0	13.0	7.4	86.0	84.7	(d)1,293.6	(d)1,290.8

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(b) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(c) Preliminary estimates.

(d) Provisional estimate November 1968, \$m 1,320 (original), \$m 1,307 (seasonally adjusted).

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trades as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(£ million)

Period					Net sales recorded		
					Taxable goods	Exempt goods	Total
Monthly average					148.4	358.7	507.1
1958-59					170.0	392.4	562.4
1959-60					173.4	407.9	581.3
1960-61					175.0	402.6	577.6
1961-62					191.9	437.8	629.7
1962-63					199.4	509.7	709.1
1963-64					215.7	568.2	784.0
1964-65					220.4	592.6	813.0
1965-66					236.5	650.2	886.7
1966-67					258.0	699.5	957.5
1967-68(r)							

(a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials for use in—										Fuels and lubricants (d)	Auxiliary aids to production (e)	Munitions and war stores			
	Building and construction	Rural industries		Manufacturing				Total (c)								
				Motor vehicle assembly (a)(b)		Other (c)										
Class I. A		Class I. B		Class I. C (5)		Class I. C (1-4)		Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class VII.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1958-59	3,798	2.9	1,340	1.0	10,354	7.8	53,384	40.4	68,876	52.1	4,536	3.4	4,408	3.3	1,442	1.1
1959-60	5,378	3.5	1,338	0.9	13,184	8.6	61,160	39.7	81,060	52.7	4,356	2.8	4,850	3.1	2,070	1.3
1960-61	6,866	3.8	1,956	1.1	14,284	7.9	73,798	40.7	96,904	53.5	4,444	2.5	6,424	3.6	1,302	0.7
1961-62	4,558	3.1	2,044	1.4	8,124	5.5	57,706	39.3	72,432	49.3	4,280	2.9	5,164	3.5	1,592	1.1
1962-63	5,614	3.1	2,080	1.2	15,990	8.9	68,536	38.1	92,220	51.3	5,064	2.8	5,754	3.2	1,192	0.7
1963-64	6,416	3.3	2,706	1.4	17,376	8.8	75,092	38.0	101,590	51.5	4,800	2.4	6,018	3.0	2,312	1.2
1964-65	8,342	3.5	3,428	1.4	19,116	8.1	90,446	38.2	121,332	51.2	4,518	1.9	7,020	3.0	4,479	1.9
1965-66	7,808	3.2	3,363	1.4	17,321	7.2	84,651	35.0	113,143	46.8	4,032	1.7	7,706	3.2	7,159	3.0
1966-67	7,228	2.9	4,559	1.8	15,175	6.1	88,910	35.5	115,872	46.3	2,566	1.0	8,051	3.2	9,886	4.0
1967-68p	8,324	3.1	4,928	1.8	18,403	6.9	94,352	35.2	126,007	47.0	2,252	0.8	6,925	2.6	10,436	3.9
Monthly total																
1966-67—																
October	7,008	3.1	4,493	2.0	10,213	4.6	82,303	36.7	104,017	46.4	2,847	1.2	9,421	4.2	3,798	1.7
November	7,734	3.2	5,623	2.3	12,111	5.0	89,017	36.4	114,485	46.9	3,261	1.3	7,005	2.9	5,741	2.4
December	6,336	2.8	2,852	1.3	12,843	5.7	76,809	34.3	98,640	44.1	2,958	1.3	6,461	2.9	5,091	2.3
January	6,881	2.5	6,159	2.3	15,927	5.8	100,000	36.4	128,967	47.0	2,892	1.0	13,140	4.8	10,817	3.9
February	7,194	3.1	5,970	2.6	10,724	4.7	89,800	39.1	113,688	49.5	1,640	0.7	6,205	2.7	3,227	1.4
March	6,593	2.7	5,138	2.1	16,457	6.6	89,307	36.2	117,495	47.6	1,370	0.6	6,946	2.8	6,150	2.5
April	7,481	2.9	3,962	1.5	17,426	6.6	90,207	34.4	119,076	45.4	2,042	0.8	7,606	2.9	8,510	3.3
May	8,608	3.3	3,007	1.2	19,047	7.3	94,490	36.2	125,152	48.0	2,203	0.9	7,685	2.9	3,640	1.4
June	7,485	2.8	3,968	1.5	15,615	5.9	96,612	36.3	123,680	46.5	2,869	1.1	6,768	2.5	15,411	5.8
1967-68p—																
July	7,774	3.4	4,874	2.1	17,953	7.7	79,560	34.2	110,161	47.4	2,595	1.1	7,778	3.3	3,393	1.5
August	8,129	2.6	4,775	1.5	22,986	7.4	102,160	33.0	138,050	44.5	1,869	0.6	8,522	2.7	21,915	7.1
September	7,900	2.9	5,095	1.8	20,632	7.6	93,726	34.4	127,353	46.7	2,517	0.9	7,094	2.6	4,847	1.8
October	7,976	3.1	4,981	1.9	12,623	4.8	97,616	37.3	123,196	47.1	1,939	0.7	6,950	2.7	8,750	3.3
November	8,147	3.1	6,435	2.4	12,176	4.6	90,568	34.3	117,326	44.4	1,058	0.4	5,690	2.2	18,585	7.0
December	7,663	3.8	3,827	1.9	11,632	5.8	76,340	37.7	99,462	49.2	2,715	1.3	4,814	2.4	3,929	1.9
January	8,046	2.9	4,298	1.6	21,587	7.9	97,180	35.6	131,111	48.0	2,090	0.8	6,652	2.4	10,961	6.4
February	9,712	3.4	5,649	2.0	21,533	7.6	99,115	35.0	136,009	48.2	2,085	0.7	7,024	2.5	8,661	3.1
March	9,019	3.2	5,168	1.8	20,242	7.2	95,604	33.9	130,033	46.1	2,110	0.7	7,510	2.7	6,093	2.2
April	9,120	3.7	4,141	1.7	17,737	7.1	93,213	37.5	124,211	50.0	2,407	1.0	6,896	2.8	3,466	1.4
May	9,459	3.0	4,925	1.5	19,760	6.2	110,357	34.8	144,501	45.5	3,574	1.1	7,050	2.2	20,211	6.4
June	6,942	2.6	4,964	1.8	21,981	8.2	96,781	36.0	130,668	48.6	2,071	0.8	7,118	2.6	14,421	5.4
1968-69p—																
July	11,258	3.8	5,417	1.8	24,504	8.3	96,407	32.7	137,586	46.6	2,235	0.8	7,457	2.5	20,100	6.8
August	11,085	3.7	5,031	1.7	19,894	6.7	104,749	35.4	140,759	47.5	1,247	0.4	7,044	2.4	5,934	2.0
September	10,700	3.5	5,813	1.9	21,370	7.0	100,137	32.7	138,020	45.1	2,979	1.0	7,399	2.4	20,816	6.8
October	11,702	3.7	4,967	1.5	17,470	5.4	103,687	32.0	137,826	42.6	3,642	1.1	8,150	2.5	50,805	15.7
November	12,357	4.2	5,814	2.0	16,095	5.5	103,118	35.4	137,384	47.1	1,653	0.6	7,811	2.7	12,165	4.2

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts, completely knocked-down vehicles and components for the assembly of motor vehicles. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold by retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in classes VI, E-J and III, respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in class I. C. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping, see note (c). (f) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane'.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Capital equipment						Finished consumer goods							
	Producers' equipment		Transport equipment				Food, beverages and tobacco		Clothing and accessories		All other (a)		Total (a)	
			Complete road vehicles and assembled chassis(b)		Railway equipment, vessels and civil aircraft									
Class IV.		Class V. B		Class V. A, C, D		Class VI. A, B, C		Class VI. D		Class VI. E-J		Class VI.		
	%		%		%		%		%		%		%	
Monthly average														
1958-59	23,226	17.5	1,902	1.4	4,440	3.4	5,398	4.1	794	0.6	17,390	13.1	23,582	17.8
1959-60	27,660	17.9	2,126	1.4	4,906	3.2	6,116	4.0	930	0.6	20,032	13.0	27,078	17.6
1960-61	33,068	18.3	2,876	1.6	3,430	1.9	6,940	3.8	1,300	0.7	24,200	13.4	32,440	17.9
1961-62	28,330	19.3	2,070	1.4	3,150	2.1	6,604	4.5	1,054	0.7	22,416	15.2	30,074	20.4
1962-63	34,488	19.2	3,862	2.1	3,118	1.7	6,834	3.8	1,212	0.7	26,054	14.5	34,100	19.0
1963-64	39,274	19.9	4,740	2.4	3,270	1.7	7,648	3.9	1,394	0.7	26,276	13.3	35,318	17.9
1964-65	49,734	21.0	6,662	2.8	5,917	2.5	8,572	3.6	1,660	0.7	26,920	11.4	37,152	15.7
1965-66	55,966	23.1	6,223	2.6	7,689	3.2	9,131	3.8	1,763	0.7	28,712	11.9	39,606	16.4
1966-67	55,327	22.1	6,243	2.5	9,226	3.7	9,125	3.6	2,039	0.8	31,995	12.8	43,159	17.2
1967-68p	58,286	21.8	7,418	2.8	8,456	3.1	9,475	3.5	2,581	1.0	36,093	13.5	48,149	18.0
Monthly total														
1966-67—														
October	48,638	21.6	4,871	2.2	8,783	3.9	9,678	4.3	1,358	0.6	31,130	13.9	42,166	18.8
November	53,492	21.9	6,182	2.5	8,565	3.5	10,390	4.2	1,386	0.6	33,750	13.8	45,526	18.6
December	56,972	25.5	4,731	2.1	4,651	2.1	7,614	3.4	1,568	0.7	34,780	15.6	43,962	19.7
January	57,001	20.8	7,059	2.6	7,646	2.8	11,323	4.1	3,084	1.1	32,521	11.9	46,928	17.1
February	49,187	21.4	6,395	2.8	8,562	3.7	9,524	4.1	2,568	1.1	28,909	12.6	41,001	17.8
March	56,130	22.8	7,250	2.9	7,275	2.9	9,848	4.0	2,907	1.2	31,345	12.7	44,100	17.9
April	62,548	23.9	6,399	2.4	14,803	5.6	9,108	3.5	2,020	0.8	30,035	11.4	41,163	15.7
May	59,181	22.7	7,487	2.9	12,363	4.7	8,079	3.1	1,860	0.7	33,114	12.7	43,053	16.5
June	56,205	21.1	7,294	2.8	9,808	3.7	9,026	3.4	1,746	0.6	33,223	12.5	43,995	16.5
1967-68p—														
July	54,114	23.3	5,756	2.5	7,055	3.0	7,885	3.4	2,358	1.0	31,415	13.5	41,658	17.9
August	69,004	22.3	7,820	2.5	8,278	2.7	9,896	3.2	3,370	1.1	41,288	13.3	54,554	17.6
September	58,498	21.5	7,088	2.6	16,036	5.9	8,726	3.2	2,938	1.1	37,407	13.7	49,071	18.0
October	59,066	22.6	6,273	2.4	5,044	1.9	11,078	4.2	2,316	0.9	37,048	14.2	50,442	19.3
November	50,833	19.2	6,037	2.3	12,811	4.9	10,673	4.0	2,100	0.8	39,052	14.8	51,825	19.6
December	42,904	21.2	5,428	2.7	6,672	3.3	7,712	3.8	2,204	1.1	26,401	13.1	36,317	18.0
January	61,374	22.5	8,189	3.0	5,609	2.0	10,060	3.7	2,893	1.1	34,245	12.5	47,198	17.3
February	63,467	22.5	8,129	2.9	6,492	2.3	9,742	3.4	3,304	1.2	37,246	13.2	50,292	17.8
March	67,365	23.9	8,287	2.9	13,153	4.7	9,834	3.5	3,238	1.1	34,478	12.2	47,550	16.8
April	53,866	21.7	8,546	3.4	5,059	2.0	9,115	3.7	2,302	0.9	32,734	13.1	44,151	17.7
May	61,399	19.4	8,985	2.8	10,119	3.2	11,434	3.6	2,128	0.7	47,983	15.1	61,545	19.4
June	57,539	21.4	8,483	3.2	5,141	1.9	7,550	2.8	1,816	0.7	33,822	12.6	43,188	16.1
1968-69p—														
July	61,802	20.9	9,026	3.1	6,042	2.0	11,801	4.0	2,464	0.8	36,870	12.5	51,134	17.3
August	64,038	21.6	10,627	3.6	11,692	4.0	9,759	3.3	3,374	1.2	41,513	14.0	54,646	18.5
September	64,924	21.2	11,249	3.7	3,041	1.0	12,357	4.0	3,618	1.2	41,521	13.6	57,496	18.8
October	56,377	17.4	9,314	2.9	4,908	1.5	10,859	3.3	2,592	0.8	39,391	12.2	52,842	16.3
November	60,073	20.6	8,558	2.9	11,517	3.9	10,269	3.5	2,450	0.9	39,641	13.6	52,360	18.0

(a) Includes a percentage of piece-goods to be sold by retail, see note (c), page 19. (b) Completely knocked-down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts are recorded in class I. C. (5).

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials (class I.) (a)			Finished consumer goods (class VI.) (b)			Total imports of merchandise (all classes)				Total imports	
	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1958-59	23,256	9,908	35,712	1,130	3,100	19,352	24,386	19,922	88,104	132,412	133	..
1959-60	25,668	12,062	43,348	1,392	3,074	22,612	27,060	22,262	104,784	154,106	155	..
1960-61	26,790	14,754	55,378	1,570	3,142	27,694	28,360	25,566	126,962	180,888	181	..
1961-62	23,408	11,174	37,940	1,466	3,016	25,594	24,874	20,988	101,230	147,092	147	..
1962-63	26,358	14,726	51,206	1,566	3,104	29,430	27,924	26,102	125,772	179,798	180	..
1963-64	29,032	15,670	57,076	2,128	3,090	30,116	31,160	27,040	139,122	197,322	198	..
1964-65	31,230	21,378	68,724	2,214	3,618	31,320	33,444	33,546	169,826	236,816	242	..
1965-66	31,350	16,913	64,881	2,483	3,665	33,458	33,833	28,585	179,106	241,524	245	..
1966-67	33,797	17,689	64,386	2,370	3,539	37,250	36,167	27,976	186,187	250,330	254	..
1967-68p	34,960	18,405	72,642	2,213	3,706	42,230	37,173	28,671	202,085	267,929	272	..
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
October	34,273	16,355	53,389	2,334	3,884	35,948	36,607	28,313	159,421	224,341	228	239
November	33,823	18,230	62,432	2,316	3,797	39,413	36,139	29,110	179,008	244,257	249	246
December	30,238	14,756	53,646	2,351	2,065	39,546	32,589	23,432	167,445	223,466	226	240
January	35,705	19,428	73,834	2,636	4,269	40,023	38,341	30,893	205,216	274,450	279	265
February	35,749	17,228	60,711	2,810	3,278	34,913	38,559	25,687	165,659	229,905	233	260
March	34,543	18,650	64,302	2,342	4,078	37,680	36,885	28,262	181,569	246,716	250	265
April	35,965	18,858	64,252	2,358	4,048	34,757	38,323	29,063	194,761	262,147	265	262
May	34,923	18,726	71,503	2,089	3,021	37,943	37,012	28,356	195,396	260,764	264	254
June	31,867	19,340	72,473	2,658	4,138	37,199	34,525	30,513	200,992	266,030	269	264
1967-68p—												
July	30,191	15,727	64,243	2,218	2,883	36,557	32,409	25,086	175,014	232,509	236	239
August	32,613	19,757	85,680	2,508	4,055	47,991	35,121	31,152	243,738	310,011	314	280
September	33,701	19,527	74,125	2,035	3,690	43,346	35,736	30,215	206,553	272,504	276	279
October	34,646	18,939	69,611	2,491	3,978	43,973	37,137	29,036	195,487	261,660	265	273
November	38,714	15,673	62,939	2,432	4,281	45,112	41,146	24,699	198,319	264,164	270	261
December	28,522	16,647	54,293	1,566	2,508	32,243	30,088	24,936	147,217	202,241	207	234
January	34,414	19,152	77,545	2,176	3,723	41,299	36,590	29,492	207,103	273,185	277	258
February	38,997	17,100	79,912	2,185	3,306	44,801	41,182	27,124	213,854	282,160	287	298
March	32,158	20,134	77,741	2,219	4,686	40,645	34,377	31,518	216,205	282,100	286	287
April	39,035	16,064	69,112	1,730	3,699	38,722	40,765	26,215	181,622	248,602	252	262
May	41,198	21,793	81,510	3,064	4,724	53,757	44,262	34,860	238,263	317,385	322	305
June	35,326	20,353	74,989	1,938	2,939	38,311	37,264	29,721	201,645	268,630	273	291
1968-69p—												
July	34,097	20,408	83,081	3,774	4,716	42,644	37,871	32,271	225,240	295,382	299	290
August	39,387	19,797	81,575	3,380	3,464	47,801	42,767	29,103	224,117	295,987	299	273
September	36,002	21,718	80,300	2,849	5,429	49,218	38,851	35,082	231,991	305,924	309	313
October	35,720	23,475	78,631	2,377	4,072	46,393	38,097	35,985	249,782	323,864	327	319
November	39,937	18,854	78,593	2,119	3,605	46,636	42,056	29,035	220,430	291,521	296	301

(a) See footnote (c), page 19.

(b) See footnote (a), page 20.

Note. Class II. consists entirely of goods 'simply transformed' and classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. Class III. is about equally divided between goods 'simply' and 'more elaborately transformed'.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Meats	Dairy produce	Wheat and flour	Dried, fresh and preserved fruit	Sugar	Ores and concentrates		Road motor vehicles	Wool	Total exports of merchandise	Total exports	
						Non-ferrous	Iron				Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1958-59	16,200	6,507	8,644	5,852	5,360	2,825	..	n.a.	50,374	134,432	135	..
1959-60	14,772	7,355	12,827	5,124	4,445	3,724	4		64,360	154,326	156	..
1960-61	12,044	5,489	20,258	4,873	5,845	4,613	44		55,742	154,674	161	..
1961-62	14,944	5,917	26,670	5,940	5,649	4,037	74		62,088	177,980	180	..
1962-63	18,810	6,443	20,715	6,211	7,587	3,703	43		63,272	178,172	179	..
1963-64	20,292	7,329	33,712	7,371	13,042	4,744	44		80,080	230,192	232	..
1964-65	23,891	8,702	27,902	6,852	9,390	6,751	91	3,830	67,256	214,931	221	..
1965-66	23,979	7,423	24,097	8,673	7,827	7,583	251		65,404	219,461	227	..
1966-67	23,235	9,162	32,077	7,877	8,295	8,359	3,834		67,212	244,549	252	..
1967-68p	23,282	7,270	30,569	8,747	8,132	10,226	8,515		59,645	244,594	254	..
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
October	23,913	11,970	21,492	6,989	7,468	11,326	2,640	4,033	65,388	237,388	244	248
November	22,304	13,520	23,720	3,587	8,034	6,606	2,883	3,610	85,944	250,752	259	233
December	17,565	8,494	22,218	3,489	2,538	9,359	5,036	4,893	74,068	219,648	228	231
January	20,533	13,311	40,783	2,648	3,011	8,045	4,849	2,658	82,046	250,925	256	253
February	17,427	10,173	51,678	3,870	7,384	8,362	4,667	2,408	69,557	254,459	260	265
March	18,677	7,604	35,608	5,890	4,747	7,650	5,158	4,028	67,315	233,844	239	251
April	19,346	10,378	47,527	11,194	9,288	11,434	5,445	4,725	64,200	257,352	270	275
May	23,410	8,064	42,311	22,596	4,787	9,783	4,896	4,158	68,150	276,678	285	255
June	24,999	5,408	40,285	10,993	7,677	7,320	6,417	3,928	66,354	255,242	264	256
1967-68p—												
July	19,793	4,767	33,303	8,933	7,076	10,834	7,339	4,728	61,715	239,074	247	266
August	27,889	6,297	36,988	8,336	10,280	12,193	7,481	2,926	43,861	237,473	248	260
September	21,277	7,512	46,928	7,812	10,129	8,492	6,627	4,433	40,188	238,227	246	264
October	29,234	10,784	31,785	7,923	14,469	6,758	6,909	3,564	58,266	256,229	266	258
November	26,445	11,726	40,087	4,441	15,953	11,284	7,477	3,213	74,331	276,728	284	257
December	21,318	8,945	27,476	4,231	5,899	10,743	7,515	4,738	57,858	226,159	239	239
January	22,463	6,637	22,669	3,408	6,019	6,530	7,125	2,796	62,333	207,993	216	204
February	22,579	7,714	37,761	4,584	6,612	13,994	11,534	1,599	67,093	252,210	259	252
March	20,989	7,375	12,780	6,970	5,928	8,860	9,931	3,666	61,785	226,168	234	246
April	17,881	5,160	25,200	14,611	4,219	12,579	9,821	4,220	59,173	230,181	240	250
May	26,786	5,286	22,004	18,765	6,478	9,055	10,684	5,809	69,298	285,474	293	262
June	22,502	5,372	30,843	14,954	4,521	11,387	10,627	5,164	59,839	258,010	273	290
1968-69p—												
July	25,350	4,454	18,518	12,510	6,264	9,860	11,054	5,071	63,163	254,905	264	260
August	28,279	4,617	27,953	9,480	12,952	13,809	13,742	4,632	40,407	257,439	268	292
September	24,637	5,368	23,549	5,361	18,476	9,119	11,666	5,547	37,366	232,719	238	255
October	28,912	11,392	21,453	6,307	19,523	12,498	14,681	5,510	70,682	286,310	297	276
November	15,582	6,623	17,992	3,421	6,027	11,418	15,894	4,352	74,055	250,868	265	252

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60=100. A full description of the index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Commonwealth Year Book No. 53, 1967.

(Base of each index: Year 1959-60=100)

Period	Wool	Meats	Dairy produce	Cereals	Dried and canned fruits	Sugar	Hides and tallow	Metals and coal	Gold	All groups
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960-61	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63	104	101	88	107	90	107	72	89	100	101
1963-64	120	105	93	107	98	175	73	101	100	114
1964-65	102	110	94	107	100	100	91	123	101	105
1965-66	107	120	86	107	102	84	107	122	101	107
1966-67	103	124	84	114	101	67	89	117	101	105
1967-68	95	p125	79	109	p95	p68	67	120	104	p100
1966-67—										
October	102	120	84	113	102	73	88	116	101	104
November	102	119	84	112	102	63	88	116	101	104
December	102	121	84	114	102	64	92	116	101	104
January	100	127	84	114	100	55	92	114	101	103
February	102	129	84	114	100	62	86	115	101	105
March	100	128	84	113	100	60	85	116	101	103
April	100	128	85	113	100	56	80	115	101	103
May	102	128	85	115	100	57	77	113	101	104
June	100	126	85	115	100	59	76	116	101	103
1967-68—										
July	98	127	85	113	p99	59	72	116	101	p102
August	92	127	85	112	p99	61	70	117	101	p99
September	92	126	85	111	p99	73	69	117	101	p99
October	92	128	85	112	p98	122	68	117	101	p101
November	92	127	82	108	p99	p72	65	116	101	p98
December	94	p121	75	106	p98	p63	65	123	101	p99
January	94	p126	75	105	p97	p60	65	119	101	p98
February	98	p124	75	106	p90	p62	66	122	101	p101
March	98	p121	75	109	p90	p64	66	125	100	p101
April	98	p121	74	107	p91	p63	65	125	105	p101
May	98	p122	73	108	p91	p58	64	119	111	p100
June	98	p126	73	109	p92	p63	65	120	119	p101
1968-69—										
July	96	p127	73	107	p95	p82	64	120	119	p101
August	96	p128	73	107	p95	p87	65	118	107	p101
September	98	p128	73	107	p95	p96	66	120	111	p102
October	p102	p134	73	106	p95	p68	66	120	114	p104
November										

INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

The tables below present quarterly and annual indexes of the value of Australian exports and imports of merchandise at average 1966-67 prices. A description of these measures is given in the first issue of the bulletin *Exports and Imports of Merchandise at Constant Prices* (Ref. No. 8.21) published on 10 October 1968.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE

(Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food and live animals			Total food and live animals	Wool and sheepskins	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other exports	All exports of merchandise (a)
	Meat	Cereals	Other (dairy produce, fruit, sugar, etc.)						
Percent of total value of exports in 1966-67 (b)	9.5	15.8	12.5	37.8	29.7	5.6	14.2	12.7	100.0
1959-60	Not available								66
1960-61									69
1961-62									79
1962-63									77
1963-64									90
1964-65									89
1965-66									90
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1967-68 p	100	94	99	97	103	146	99	120	105
Quarter ended									
1966-67—									
September	131	64	101	93	81	68	113	107	93
December	92	70	90	82	109	106	102	101	97
March	81	134	85	105	106	103	86	92	101
June	96	131	125	120	104	123	99	100	110
1967-68 p—									
September	95	115	94	103	82	136	103	112	100
December	111	102	103	105	110	134	93	123	109
March	98	81	88	88	109	149	90	111	101
June	96	80	111	95	109	167	110	135	110
1968-69 p—									
September	105	77	100	92	82	185	125	138	105

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE

(Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food, beverages, and tobacco	Fuels	Basic materials	Chemicals (including plastics)	Textiles, fabrics, etc.	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other imports	All imports of merchandise (a)
Percent of total value of imports in 1966-67 (b)	5.2	8.2	7.4	9.9	8.0	43.3	18.0	100.0
1959-60	Not available							64
1960-61								75
1961-62								61
1962-63								73
1963-64								81
1964-65								98
1965-66								98
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1967-68 p	99	100	105	109	108	111	111	109
Quarter ended								
1966-67—								
September	85	98	104	100	97	107	103	103
December	97	100	98	94	92	88	95	92
March	121	96	95	104	108	96	101	100
June	97	106	103	102	104	109	101	105
1967-68 p—								
September	90	94	101	107	113	114	108	108
December	94	102	105	92	95	94	106	97
March	109	98	104	121	114	120	114	115
June	102	107	112	115	109	117	116	114
1968-69 p—								
September	112	101	120	125	117	124	127	122

(a) The series shown for years prior to 1966-67 are not strictly comparable to the series shown from 1966-67 onwards (see the bulletin referred to at the head of this page).
(b) These percentages may be used in analysing the contribution of each group to movements in the total index.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants. With a few important exceptions they are from Melbourne sources. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive. Work is proceeding on the preparation of new series of wholesale price index numbers. Meanwhile, the present series continue to be compiled on their existing basis, which has become increasingly affected by changes in usage, changes of category as between 'imported' and 'home-produced' for some commodities, and changes in industrial structure.

(Base of each index: Average of three years ended June 1939 = 100)

Period	Basic materials							Food-stuffs and tobacco	Basic materials and foodstuffs		
	Metals and coal (a)	Oils, fats and waxes	Textiles	Chemicals	Rubber and hides	Building materials	Total		Goods principally imported (b)	Goods principally home produced	Total all groups
1958-59	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1959-60	395	225	403	331	379	431	347	348	281	375	348
1960-61	399	222	387	331	341	439	346	372	278	394	360
1961-62	392	212	400	333	302	439	340	332	270	363	336
1962-63	388	209	432	317	262	439	336	342	272	368	340
1963-64	383	207	484	286	221	473	339	352	275	376	346
1964-65	391	207	427	286	242	503	345	364	277	388	355
1965-66	390	218	432	325	306	507	355	385	280	409	371
1966-67	396	220	419	381	281	511	362	401	283	425	383
1967-68	p397	225	392	397	222	514	p361	411	287	p431	p388
1966-67—											
October	395	220	417	382	273	513	362	400	283	424	382
November	397	220	417	382	280	513	362	400	283	425	383
December	398	218	415	382	295	513	363	399	283	424	382
January	400	218	409	382	280	513	363	397	283	423	382
February	400	219	414	382	269	512	362	396	285	421	381
March	398	219	408	382	277	512	362	402	285	425	384
April	397	219	408	382	278	512	361	400	283	424	382
May	395	220	414	382	268	512	361	402	284	425	383
June	395	220	407	382	241	507	358	418	283	436	391
1967-68—											
July	394	220	400	388	227	509	358	427	284	442	395
August	394	220	381	398	221	510	358	432	284	446	398
September	394	226	380	398	223	510	360	422	287	438	393
October	394	226	380	398	232	511	360	397	287	419	380
November	395	225	387	398	224	511	360	396	288	418	380
December	398	225	392	398	204	511	360	396	287	419	380
January	398	225	393	398	205	511	361	396	287	419	380
February	398	227	399	398	207	513	362	396	287	420	380
March	399	227	399	398	218	515	363	400	287	423	383
April	400	227	399	398	231	519	364	419	288	439	394
May	p399	227	399	398	233	519	p364	428	288	p445	p399
June	p396	226	400	399	235	523	p364	428	289	p445	p399
1968-69—											
July	p394	225	395	402	236	524	p364	425	289	p442	p397
August	p395	225	396	390	234	525	p363	412	289	p432	p390
September	p397	222	402	390	238	528	p364	407	291	p428	p387
October	rp400	222	p415	390	244	532	p367	p401	p291	p424	p385
November	p401	220	p421	390	253	533	p367	p396	p292	p421	p383

(a) Special purpose index for the 'Metals and coal' group excluding coal and briquettes: October 1968, 493; November 1968, 496. (b) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.)

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -101-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Australia	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany (a)	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	United States of America
1962	98.1	98.1	96.5	99.5	98.2	96.8	98.7	97.7	110.3
1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1964	102.3	100.3	101.6	101.1	100.2	104.5	102.3	103.9	100.2
1965	105.8	102.4	103.1	103.5	-101.0-	105.6	105.6	104.4	102.2
1966	110.2	106.1	105.4	105.3	103.4	106.7	109.6	107.7	105.6
1967	112.5	108.0	104.6	104.4	105.3	106.9	112.3	106.9	105.8
Quarter 1967—									
March	111.4	107.3	105.5	105.0	105.2	106.3	111.3	106.7	105.7
June	112.4	107.7	104.0	104.2	104.6	107.5	112.2	105.3	105.5
September	115.3	108.2	103.5	104.1	105.0	106.1	113.0	105.4	106.0
December	110.8	108.7	105.2	104.2	106.2	107.6	112.8	110.3	106.1
1968—									
March	111.1	109.3	105.1	108.5	106.5	112.5	112.9	117.1	107.5
June	p115.8	109.9	104.4	107.8	105.7	113.3	113.1	115.3	108.2
September	p114.1							114.8	108.7

(a) Beginning January 1968, includes value added taxes. Prior to January 1968, includes turnover taxes.

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Australia (a)	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan (b)	New Zealand	South Africa (c)	United Kingdom	United States of America (d)
1962	100	98	95	97	93	98	99	98	99
1963	-100-	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1964	102	102	103	102	104	104	103	103	-101-
1965	106	104	106	106	111	-107-	106	108	103
1966	110	108	109	110	116	110	110	113	106
1967	113	112	112	111	121	117	114	115	109
Quarter 1967—									
June	113	111	111	111	120	117	114	115	108
September	114	113	112	111	120	118	115	115	110
December	114	114	113	111	124	118	114	116	110
1968—									
March	115	115	115	112	126	119	115	118	112
June	116	116	116	113	126	121	115	121	113
September	116	117	117	112		122	116	121	114

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1963 = 100, to 1964, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

(b) Prior to 1964, 28 cities only.

(c) White population.

(d) Prior to 1964, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index has been compiled for periods from September quarter 1948. A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 51, 1964.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (Base of each index: Year 1952-53 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscel- laneous	All groups
1958-59	115.4	108.2	130.6	108.7	121.2	116.0
1959-60	119.8	109.4	135.2	109.8	123.9	118.9
1960-61	127.7	111.6	144.8	111.2	127.3	123.8
1961-62	125.5	112.8	150.7	112.7	128.1	124.3
1962-63	124.3	113.2	155.0	112.4	128.8	124.5
1963-64	126.0	114.0	159.6	111.0	129.9	125.7
1964-65	133.0	115.6	165.0	111.9	136.1	130.4
1965-66	139.3	117.0	171.9	113.8	142.5	135.2
1966-67	141.6	119.5	179.3	115.1	148.9	138.8
1967-68	148.2	122.1	187.2	116.5	153.1	143.4
Quarter						
1962-63—						
June	124.5	113.4	156.8	112.4	129.2	124.9
1963-64—						
September	125.0	113.7	157.9	110.6	129.7	125.1
December	124.5	113.7	159.0	110.8	129.5	125.0
March	126.0	113.8	159.9	111.1	130.1	125.8
June	128.5	114.6	161.7	111.4	130.3	127.0
1964-65—						
September	130.7	115.0	163.0	110.7	133.1	128.5
December	132.1	115.4	164.4	111.3	136.5	130.0
March	133.1	115.8	165.3	112.5	137.3	130.9
June	135.9	116.3	167.2	112.9	137.3	132.1
1965-66—						
September	139.3	116.3	168.6	113.4	137.8	133.5
December	139.5	116.6	171.4	113.7	142.7	135.2
March	138.4	116.9	172.4	113.7	144.7	135.4
June	139.8	118.0	175.3	114.5	144.8	136.5
1966-67—						
September	139.7	118.2	176.6	114.7	146.9	137.1
December	140.7	119.3	178.4	115.1	148.9	138.4
March	141.6	119.7	179.5	115.0	149.3	138.9
June	144.2	120.8	182.5	115.6	150.4	140.6
1967-68—						
September	148.3	121.2	184.4	115.8	151.5	142.5
December	147.0	122.0	186.7	116.3	153.1	142.9
March	148.0	122.3	187.6	116.4	153.5	143.5
June	149.4	122.9	190.0	117.3	154.3	144.6
1968-69—						
September	149.0	123.5	191.3	117.5	156.4	145.2

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 27. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA (Base of each index: Year 1952-53 = 100.0) (a)

Period	State capital cities—separately and combined							Canberra
	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1958-59	116.0	115.3	116.6	118.2	114.5	114.7	118.7	115.4
1959-60	118.9	117.8	120.0	121.2	118.0	116.9	120.8	117.8
1960-61	123.8	122.1	125.9	125.4	122.9	121.2	127.5	121.4
1961-62	124.3	122.6	126.3	127.3	122.5	121.6	128.1	123.1
1962-63	124.5	123.2	126.2	127.7	122.1	122.2	128.0	123.4
1963-64	125.7	124.5	127.1	129.0	123.5	123.8	129.4	124.3
1964-65	130.4	128.8	132.2	133.9	128.6	127.6	133.6	128.1
1965-66	135.2	133.1	137.1	140.4	132.7	132.5	138.3	131.9
1966-67	138.8	136.3	140.7	144.0	136.9	137.9	141.2	134.5
1967-68	143.4	140.6	145.9	148.8	140.8	141.9	147.7	138.0
Quarter								
1962-63—								
June	124.9	123.7	126.4	127.9	122.5	122.8	128.2	123.4
1963-64—								
September	125.1	123.7	126.7	128.4	122.8	122.7	128.8	124.1
December	125.0	123.9	126.4	128.2	122.7	123.1	129.0	123.8
March	125.8	124.6	127.1	129.2	123.5	124.2	129.8	124.2
June	127.0	125.8	128.3	130.2	125.1	125.3	130.1	125.1
1964-65—								
September	128.5	127.3	129.6	131.9	126.9	126.6	131.7	126.6
December	130.0	128.4	131.8	133.4	128.6	126.6	133.4	128.0
March	130.9	129.1	132.9	134.6	128.9	128.0	134.0	128.4
June	132.1	130.3	134.4	135.7	129.9	129.3	135.2	129.5
1965-66—								
September	133.5	131.8	135.6	138.3	130.7	130.0	137.0	130.8
December	135.2	133.3	137.2	140.0	132.7	131.7	138.8	132.3
March	135.4	133.3	137.2	141.4	133.1	132.8	138.1	132.0
June	136.5	134.0	138.5	141.7	134.4	135.3	139.3	132.4
1966-67—								
September	137.1	134.7	139.1	142.5	135.0	136.3	139.2	133.0
December	138.4	136.2	140.1	143.6	136.5	136.9	140.1	134.0
March	138.9	136.4	140.7	144.4	137.2	138.3	142.0	134.6
June	140.6	137.8	142.9	145.5	138.9	140.1	143.3	136.2
1967-68—								
September	142.5	139.7	144.8	148.0	140.5	140.7	147.2	137.4
December	142.9	140.3	145.3	148.3	139.7	141.3	148.2	137.7
March	143.5	140.7	146.0	149.4	140.5	142.2	147.6	138.0
June	144.6	141.7	147.4	149.4	142.6	143.4	147.7	138.7
1968-69—								
September	145.2	142.3	147.9	150.7	142.6	143.8	148.3	139.2

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, and whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly price per \$2 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE
(Base of each index: Average of 3 years ended June 1939 = 1,000)(a)

Period	Twenty-three manufac- turing and distributing companies	Ten retail companies	Four pastoral and finance companies	Four insurance companies	Total seventy-five companies	Thirty-four active shares included in foregoing
1958-59	2,411	2,002	1,597	3,117	1,966	1,978
1959-60	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1963-64	3,607	3,186	2,507	6,045	3,254	3,261
1964-65	3,705	2,445	2,438	5,087	3,123	3,126
1965-66	3,327	1,969	1,907	4,677	2,826	2,778
1966-67	3,236	1,831	2,025	4,735	2,844	2,721
1967-68	3,781	2,197	1,947	5,697	3,387	3,145
1968-67—						
October	3,193	1,770	2,029	4,782	2,800	2,704
November	3,167	1,746	2,058	4,712	2,780	2,646
December	3,209	1,830	2,102	4,790	2,838	2,692
January	3,330	1,948	2,195	4,782	2,939	2,804
February	3,307	1,846	2,137	4,745	2,907	2,759
March	3,245	1,769	2,065	4,817	2,840	2,707
April	3,290	1,782	1,969	4,854	2,855	2,741
May	3,232	1,824	1,918	4,875	2,860	2,749
June	3,226	1,823	1,937	4,800	2,835	2,726
1967-68—						
July	3,369	1,914	1,953	5,018	2,972	2,843
August	3,496	1,943	2,004	5,295	3,132	2,973
September	3,595	1,972	2,049	5,449	3,184	3,033
October	3,705	1,982	1,904	5,578	3,236	3,073
November	3,826	2,049	1,797	5,650	3,330	3,136
December	3,671	2,080	1,827	5,606	3,270	3,038
January	3,724	2,104	1,862	5,727	3,316	3,079
February	3,782	2,140	1,912	5,696	3,423	3,101
March	3,694	2,320	1,876	5,666	3,367	3,062
April	3,846	2,406	1,899	6,035	3,509	3,206
May	4,207	2,591	2,090	6,262	3,825	3,498
June	4,462	2,865	2,193	6,376	4,077	3,699
1968-69—						
July	4,516	2,880	2,248	6,790	4,162	3,785
August	4,520	3,009	2,330	7,338	4,224	3,869
September	4,356	2,925	2,307	7,603	4,166	3,785
October	4,225	2,841	2,248	7,051	4,009	3,617
November	4,312	2,983	2,265	7,261	4,106	3,729

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

Australia								
End of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Rates	Index Nos. (Base: 1954 = 100.0)
Weighted average minimum weekly rates of wage(a)								
June—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1957	32.40	31.58	30.28	30.64	31.78	31.90	31.67	112.1
1958	32.96	31.91	31.08	31.20	31.95	32.29	32.16	113.9
1959	33.82	33.07	32.68	32.80	32.72	33.32	33.28	117.8
1960	35.65	34.95	34.47	34.18	35.03	34.97	35.09	124.3
1961	36.69	35.05	35.73	34.23	36.24	35.21	35.79	126.7
1962	37.28	36.34	35.98	35.52	36.39	36.28	36.59	129.6
1963	38.02	36.90	36.62	36.27	36.94	36.94	37.25	131.9
1964	40.00	38.88	37.45	38.48	38.08	39.45	39.06	138.3
1965	40.45	39.66	40.88	38.83	39.29	39.86	40.04	141.8
1966	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11	145.6
1966—								
September	43.20	42.70	43.50	41.74	43.11	43.24	42.96	152.1
October	43.22	42.73	43.51	41.75	43.35	43.25	43.00	152.3
November	43.25	42.73	43.53	41.75	43.35	43.27	43.02	152.3
December	43.27	42.78	43.56	41.75	43.38	43.27	43.05	152.4
1967—								
January	43.82	43.52	43.73	42.35	43.57	43.81	43.58	154.3
February	43.85	43.53	43.75	42.54	43.73	43.89	43.62	154.5
March	44.08	43.55	43.75	42.55	43.83	43.95	43.73	154.8
April	44.09	43.55	44.16	42.55	43.96	44.00	43.80	155.1
May	44.10	43.55	44.28	42.55	43.98	44.09	43.82	155.2
June	44.14	43.58	44.38	42.60	44.03	44.12	43.87	155.3
July	45.18	44.56	45.46	43.68	44.75	45.22	44.88	158.9
August	r45.18	44.56	r45.52	43.76	44.83	45.24	44.91	159.0
September	45.19	44.56	45.54	43.76	44.97	45.24	44.92	r159.1
October	45.20	44.58	r45.55	43.78	44.99	45.29	44.93	159.1
November	45.22	44.59	r45.55	43.78	45.07	45.31	44.95	159.2
December	45.22	44.59	45.55	43.78	45.08	45.31	44.95	159.2
1968—								
January	45.98	45.43	r45.90	44.63	45.22	46.04	45.64	161.6
February	46.03	45.54	45.96	44.90	45.23	46.53	45.74	162.0
March	46.20	45.61	45.98	44.98	45.26	46.59	45.84	162.3
April	46.39	45.68	46.06	45.07	45.29	46.63	45.96	162.7
May	46.65	r45.74	46.15	45.14	45.35	46.71	r46.10	163.2
June	46.70	r45.87	46.28	r45.28	45.39	46.74	r46.19	r163.6
July	46.73	r46.13	46.31	r45.33	45.42	46.75	r46.29	r163.9
August	47.29	r46.49	r46.61	r45.74	45.75	r46.95	r46.72	r165.4
September	47.34	r46.67	r46.65	r45.89	45.81	r47.04	r46.81	r165.8
October	48.78	48.15	48.14	47.42	47.22	48.50	48.28	170.9

Weighted average standard weekly hours of work(b)

October 1968	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0
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(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision. (b) Excluding rural, and shipping and stevedoring.

BASIC WAGES: WEEKLY RATES, ADULT MALES

In June 1967 the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission decided to eliminate basic wages and margins from its awards and to introduce total wages to operate from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967. Consequently the table of Commonwealth Basic Wages previously shown in this publication has been discontinued.

Basic wage rates still operate in awards, determinations, etc., of State industrial tribunals in all States except Victoria, and these rates are shown in the monthly bulletin, *Wage Rates and Earnings*.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS(a) PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT(b)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on pay-roll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

Period	New South Wales(c)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(d)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	Seasonally adjusted index(e)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1958-59	42.30	42.00	37.20	38.60	36.60	39.20	40.70	124.5
1959-60	45.70	45.50	39.40	41.80	39.20	41.90	43.90	134.3
1960-61	48.10	47.20	41.60	43.40	41.60	43.30	46.00	140.6
1961-62	49.10	48.50	43.20	44.70	43.00	45.30	47.20	144.7
1962-63	50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40	148.3
1963-64	52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90	155.9
1964-65	56.60	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60	167.3
1965-66	58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00	174.6
1966-67	62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70	186.0
1967-68	66.00	66.80	58.80	60.40	62.50	61.00	64.30	197.0
Quarter								
1962-63—								
March	47.70	48.30	41.80	44.50	42.60	44.50	46.40	149.7
June	51.50	51.90	44.80	46.00	45.00	48.30	49.70	151.3
1963-64—								
September	50.70	51.00	45.70	46.80	46.60	46.40	49.30	150.9
December	55.40	55.80	49.20	50.30	49.80	50.70	53.70	155.4
March	50.00	49.80	44.60	46.50	44.70	46.50	48.40	157.9
June	54.20	53.50	48.00	49.10	47.60	49.90	52.10	159.0
1964-65—								
September	55.00	55.60	49.40	52.20	48.10	49.60	53.50	163.6
December	59.30	58.70	52.50	53.40	51.80	51.90	57.00	165.5
March	54.10	54.10	47.70	50.10	46.40	49.70	52.20	169.7
June	57.70	57.40	51.90	52.30	51.60	52.70	55.80	170.3
1965-66—								
September	58.20	59.20	52.60	54.60	53.10	50.50	56.80	172.4
December	60.30	61.40	55.30	55.30	55.50	56.40	59.00	173.6
March	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60	175.3
June	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70	176.4
1966-67—								
September	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00	182.0
December	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30	183.8
March	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30	187.0
June	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40	190.4
1967-68—								
September	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	58.80	63.40	194.1
December	67.40	69.20	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	66.20	195.9
March	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90	197.6
June	67.70	68.30	59.80	61.30	64.30	62.90	65.90	201.2
1968-69—								
September	68.40	68.50	60.50	62.50	64.70	60.50	66.30	203.3

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. (b) Total wages and salaries, etc., divided by the total number of civilian employees expressed in male units, i.e., total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) All industries—Australia base 1953-54=100. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of this series. It has not yet been adjusted by the programs used for other Bureau series.

Note. Quarterly figures shown in money terms are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period	New houses and flats						Other new buildings		Alterations(b) and additions		Total	
	Private (c)			Government (c)		Total		Private (c)	Government (c)	Private (c)		Government (c)
	Number(d)		Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value	Value	Value	Value		Value *
	Original	Season-ally adjusted										
			\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Monthly Average												
1958-59	6,308	..	38,216	1,190	6,376	7,498	44,592	17,278	9,006	9,812	1,940	82,628
1959-60	7,587	..	47,162	1,066	6,062	8,653	53,224	22,502	11,346	11,654	1,894	100,620
1960-61	6,446	..	42,648	1,355	7,418	7,801	50,066	23,894	13,332	11,504	1,562	100,358
1961-62	5,886	..	39,882	1,180	6,666	7,066	46,548	22,794	15,352	11,578	1,440	97,712
1962-63	6,623	..	45,724	1,243	7,004	7,866	52,728	24,926	17,688	13,044	1,310	109,696
1963-64	8,127	..	56,930	1,575	9,278	9,702	66,208	25,844	23,724	14,022	1,324	131,122
1964-65	8,774	..	64,224	1,459	9,636	10,233	73,860	35,078	22,632	15,726	1,990	149,286
1965-66	7,966	..	61,495	1,216	8,243	9,182	69,738	33,392	25,168	14,669	1,596	144,563
1966-67	8,680	..	69,331	1,398	10,135	10,078	79,466	36,356	27,717	10,768	466	154,772
1967-68	9,904	..	83,054	1,107	8,590	11,011	91,644	39,986	35,740	11,407	546	179,323
Monthly Total												
1966-67—												
October	9,121	8,906	71,613	2,218	18,544	11,339	90,157	38,075	22,848	11,431	382	162,893
November	9,322	8,809	73,145	1,055	7,088	10,377	80,233	33,217	28,765	12,208	552	154,975
December	7,478	9,028	58,476	1,443	9,557	8,921	68,033	26,894	15,369	8,942	394	119,632
January	6,499	8,390	52,838	858	5,928	7,357	58,766	31,074	50,876	8,676	399	149,791
February	8,738	9,332	68,083	1,037	7,993	9,775	76,076	37,193	24,190	9,835	388	147,682
March	7,928	8,134	65,616	1,053	7,172	8,981	72,788	37,428	20,962	10,813	401	142,392
April	8,708	8,798	72,475	1,137	9,149	9,845	81,624	33,185	27,041	11,195	535	153,580
May	10,081	9,076	83,939	1,679	12,573	11,760	96,512	48,505	37,659	12,344	456	195,476
June	9,357	8,829	76,587	948	7,047	10,305	83,634	44,367	36,973	11,053	559	176,586
1967-68—												
July	9,278	9,085	79,657	929	6,553	10,207	86,210	37,855	22,736	11,006	497	158,304
August	10,781	9,364	87,341	920	6,666	11,701	94,007	35,273	25,611	12,570	642	168,103
September	9,518	9,323	79,574	851	6,921	10,369	86,495	51,365	40,491	11,751	646	190,748
October	10,405	9,697	85,589	1,374	9,509	11,779	95,098	34,740	37,725	12,283	510	180,356
November	10,625	9,976	85,845	1,024	9,200	11,649	95,045	46,868	26,737	12,372	604	181,626
December	8,109	10,275	66,224	1,310	10,164	9,419	76,388	39,421	33,150	9,570	471	159,000
January	8,618	10,770	73,312	762	5,861	9,380	79,173	30,186	45,862	9,498	376	165,095
February	9,466	9,493	79,107	1,380	11,072	10,846	90,179	32,407	31,438	10,704	505	165,233
March	10,369	10,390	84,355	1,345	11,511	11,714	95,866	34,331	40,323	11,312	558	182,390
April	9,597	9,925	82,005	977	6,799	10,574	88,804	35,701	38,927	10,856	681	174,969
May	11,701	10,637	97,836	1,185	9,965	12,886	107,801	45,804	55,881	13,318	603	223,407
June	10,381	10,636	95,804	1,223	8,863	11,604	104,667	55,878	29,998	11,639	464	202,646
1968-69—												
July	11,799	10,678	104,543	863	6,312	12,662	110,855	43,234	31,275	12,947	420	198,731
August	11,639	10,678	103,888	1,355	9,255	12,994	113,143	50,944	25,855	12,870	445	203,257
September	11,568	11,145	102,288	1,365	10,188	12,933	112,476	35,763	25,207	12,571	1,196	187,213
October	11,666	10,407	102,545	1,007	7,902	12,673	110,447	42,747	25,840	14,199	610	193,843
November	10,813	10,846	94,309	1,732	13,599	12,545	107,908	40,522	17,013	13,073	473	178,989

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. (b) Prior to 1 July 1966 additions of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States except New South Wales. From 1 July 1966, additions and/or alterations of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States. (c) Building is classified as 'Private' or 'Government' according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see pages 33 and 34.

BUILDING APPROVALS

(a) VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED (a)
(Including alterations and additions)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ m	\$ m
Monthly Average										
1958-59	30,852	25,246	9,084	7,822	4,714	2,300	438	2,172	82.6	..
1959-60	38,976	29,986	10,910	8,856	5,778	3,262	624	2,228	100.6	..
1960-61	37,546	27,650	12,236	11,136	6,012	2,544	498	2,736	100.4	..
1961-62	37,570	26,274	10,754	9,448	6,638	3,150	658	3,220	97.7	..
1962-63	40,908	30,740	12,206	10,790	7,172	3,118	806	3,956	109.7	..
1963-64	47,164	36,142	15,382	14,474	10,368	2,876	966	3,750	131.1	..
1964-65	53,764	40,388	18,366	15,442	11,822	3,740	1,524	4,240	149.3	..
1965-66	48,854	42,211	20,586	12,604	11,051	4,072	1,289	3,895	144.6	..
1966-67	53,856	44,636	19,463	10,972	14,433	4,668	1,526	5,218	154.8	..
1967-68	61,959	46,484	23,579	13,702	21,067	6,201	2,443	3,888	179.3	..
Monthly Total										
1966-67—										
October	49,100	58,510	18,211	8,934	18,370	3,779	2,612	3,377	162.9	160.5
November	56,232	46,071	19,445	9,401	14,907	5,788	544	2,587	155.0	152.6
December	41,405	34,945	16,414	8,007	9,501	2,781	1,844	4,735	119.6	141.6
January	66,406	35,151	22,748	7,219	10,860	1,934	2,016	3,457	149.8	180.0
February	50,342	44,789	16,934	9,662	17,237	2,979	1,987	3,752	147.7	170.4
March	50,721	39,416	22,222	7,773	12,529	6,673	642	2,416	142.4	151.4
April	50,276	45,004	16,954	11,448	13,878	7,224	1,913	6,883	153.6	156.9
May	67,521	55,922	23,213	14,703	20,827	6,962	1,523	4,805	195.5	171.2
June	62,537	40,371	23,048	12,023	18,774	4,238	3,201	12,394	176.6	152.9
1967-68—										
July	48,167	44,531	20,349	15,423	20,679	4,057	823	4,275	158.3	162.3
August	62,254	47,330	19,223	9,548	19,634	4,738	1,040	4,336	168.1	154.8
September	65,567	50,787	31,771	13,193	21,520	3,735	471	3,704	190.7	173.8
October	62,294	49,143	19,057	18,061	17,521	5,260	1,423	7,597	180.4	169.5
November	62,188	51,048	24,400	16,642	16,748	4,147	2,500	3,953	181.6	179.6
December	53,908	48,559	18,543	10,154	17,295	4,858	2,613	3,070	159.0	196.4
January	56,950	27,382	25,266	17,616	23,940	6,540	3,556	3,845	165.1	188.5
February	55,181	39,716	21,101	17,454	18,703	7,083	3,407	2,588	165.2	181.0
March	67,740	48,739	21,991	10,782	22,715	4,405	3,567	2,451	182.4	185.7
April	55,807	48,190	21,815	13,491	20,097	9,194	3,631	2,744	175.0	186.9
May	81,458	53,247	36,106	10,228	22,790	15,092	1,493	2,993	223.4	195.3
June	71,998	49,136	23,328	11,837	31,157	5,303	4,789	5,098	202.6	192.6
1968-69—										
July	64,896	59,668	23,339	11,809	25,376	4,604	975	8,064	198.7	185.7
August	80,334	57,756	21,173	13,876	19,053	3,938	1,461	5,666	203.3	196.4
September	62,855	48,715	22,372	14,302	25,367	4,453	3,642	5,507	187.2	171.0
October	64,550	55,146	24,817	12,214	25,022	4,989	1,951	5,154	193.8	174.0
November	66,438	44,159	20,851	10,930	23,746	4,374	1,985	6,506	179.0	185.9

(a) See footnote (a) page 32.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED^(a)
(Individual living units)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average										
1958-59	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498	..
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653	..
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801	..
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066	..
1962-63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866	..
1963-64	3,624	2,670	1,049	1,145	773	234	51	156	9,702	..
1964-65	3,910	2,742	1,240	1,028	781	243	78	211	10,233	..
1965-66	3,271	2,456	1,313	911	767	220	62	182	9,182	..
1966-67	3,527	2,884	1,410	707	954	287	75	234	10,078	..
1967-68	3,951	3,208	1,359	643	1,260	311	111	167	11,010	..
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
September	3,486	3,233	1,405	920	911	323	16	127	10,421	9,596
October	3,715	3,752	1,347	687	1,106	257	215	260	11,339	10,958
November	3,935	3,005	1,415	751	917	208	11	135	10,377	9,973
December	3,367	2,580	1,244	545	647	209	171	158	8,921	10,335
January	2,920	1,677	1,162	476	783	215	26	98	7,357	10,061
February	3,442	2,821	1,286	584	1,178	228	66	170	9,775	10,723
March	3,240	2,592	1,443	506	765	255	24	156	8,981	9,383
April	3,401	2,662	1,327	553	941	603	154	204	9,845	9,855
May	3,933	3,313	1,974	779	1,147	368	63	183	11,760	10,218
June	3,586	2,764	1,398	641	1,300	383	94	139	10,305	9,596
1967-68—										
July	3,505	3,167	1,248	718	1,045	321	21	182	10,207	10,070
August	4,179	3,548	1,395	597	1,305	415	52	210	11,701	10,240
September	3,901	2,883	1,322	591	1,235	288	17	132	10,369	10,030
October	4,325	3,267	1,419	908	1,242	346	74	198	11,779	10,830
November	4,130	3,737	1,393	717	1,147	312	60	153	11,649	11,226
December	3,344	2,918	1,177	475	1,047	249	113	96	9,419	11,414
January	3,978	2,030	1,204	502	1,189	236	80	161	9,380	12,262
February	4,015	3,243	1,373	513	1,148	209	190	155	10,846	11,325
March	3,944	3,593	1,627	565	1,288	308	277	112	11,714	11,852
April	3,317	3,311	1,273	914	1,193	277	184	105	10,574	10,924
May	4,836	3,818	1,543	582	1,393	528	64	122	12,886	11,176
June	3,935	2,985	1,337	637	1,887	245	204	374	11,604	11,889
1968-69—										
July	4,733	3,640	1,541	673	1,574	276	28	197	12,662	11,417
August	4,875	3,631	1,430	1,045	1,466	273	81	193	12,994	11,878
September	4,425	3,407	1,651	771	1,861	321	163	334	12,933	12,520
October	4,418	3,645	1,486	705	1,715	279	82	343	12,673	11,126
November	4,646	3,304	1,386	807	1,758	315	46	283	12,545	12,685

(a) See footnote (a) page 32.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

Period	Commenced							Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses and flats	Other		Total		New private buildings		Houses and flats	Other	Total	Houses and flats	Other	Total
		Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Quarterly average													
1963-64	190.8	162.9	..	353.7	..	258.1	..	171.5	136.7	308.2	386.8	694.8	1,081.6
1964-65	215.7	188.4	..	404.1	..	302.2	..	205.7	160.9	366.6	433.1	823.2	1,256.3
1965-66	211.3	193.9	..	405.2	..	302.8	..	217.5	184.4	401.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67	235.9	209.3	..	445.2	..	328.4	..	228.7	204.6	433.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68	266.1	231.4	..	497.5	..	367.2	..	255.7	210.7	466.4	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6
Quarterly total													
1965-66—													
March	201.9	192.6	190.2	394.5	400.4	300.7	299.8	197.6	200.2	397.7	413.4	893.8	1,307.2
June	223.2	182.9	175.4	406.1	395.7	296.0	296.4	221.2	200.7	421.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67—													
September	233.2	214.4	198.5	447.6	418.5	333.5	313.1	221.0	210.5	431.6	433.4	893.3	1,326.7
December	232.2	168.9	195.8	401.1	437.2	304.5	326.9	250.3	223.1	473.4	418.5	845.9	1,264.4
March	230.9	216.7	213.4	447.6	453.7	342.6	340.1	203.2	194.9	398.1	449.8	872.4	1,322.2
June	247.3	237.0	227.6	484.3	471.6	332.8	334.6	240.2	190.1	430.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68—													
September	267.5	226.7	209.6	494.2	482.2	378.2	354.3	248.2	202.4	450.6	482.4	949.9	1,432.2
December	244.7	193.9	225.0	438.5	478.1	342.7	368.3	276.2	236.1	512.4	452.0	915.5	1,367.5
March	262.0	260.8	256.4	522.9	529.8	364.2	361.0	231.3	202.3	433.6	488.1	976.2	1,464.3
June	290.1	244.1	234.5	534.2	520.2	383.8	386.9	267.0	202.0	469.0	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Quarterly average									
1963-64	117,920	83,708	33,254	29,576	23,216	8,494	1,990	10,042	308,200
1964-65	132,886	100,570	44,618	38,626	26,774	9,436	2,946	10,746	366,602
1965-66	145,809	103,844	52,326	40,075	32,545	9,920	3,016	14,392	401,927
1966-67	156,489	117,984	54,775	33,805	40,534	12,055	3,311	14,396	433,349
1967-68	159,739	124,343	64,244	34,633	48,851	15,471	5,074	14,067	466,421
Quarterly total									
1965-66—									
March	157,527	90,049	49,301	35,361	37,012	8,466	3,654	16,349	397,719
June	140,129	118,050	66,186	41,094	32,488	10,211	3,499	10,221	421,878
1966-67—									
September	153,345	116,374	53,416	33,258	39,965	11,509	3,511	20,178	431,556
December	169,672	138,466	60,919	34,209	37,893	13,133	3,179	15,971	473,442
March	145,051	102,375	49,072	34,533	40,202	12,438	3,802	10,623	398,096
June	157,888	114,728	55,691	33,221	44,075	11,138	2,751	10,810	430,302
1967-68—									
September	157,555	125,991	54,638	34,766	45,394	16,635	2,615	13,024	450,618
December	155,505	146,707	75,733	38,693	54,546	20,141	5,856	15,214	512,395
March	158,080	101,843	57,919	38,874	46,526	11,821	8,022	10,549	433,634
June	167,818	122,829	68,684	26,198	48,937	13,288	3,802	17,481	469,037

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia				
									New houses and flats		New private houses and flats		
Commenced													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1963-64	9,542	7,684	2,873	3,237	2,266	667	140	486	26,895		22,566		
1964-65	10,552	7,955	3,521	3,345	2,299	699	188	618	29,177		24,384		
1965-66	9,259	7,270	3,926	2,736	2,282	603	158	569	26,801		22,950		
1966-67	9,743	8,269	3,992	2,423	2,749	785	218	600	28,779		24,527		
1967-68	10,144	9,077	4,071	2,078	3,661	877	267	604	30,779		27,153		
Quarterly total													
1965-66—March	8,512	6,930	3,708	2,611	2,363	573	201	503	25,401	26,076	22,606	22,931	
June	8,989	7,836	4,530	2,823	2,456	653	210	611	28,108	28,070	23,774	23,694	
1966-67—September	9,292	8,339	3,838	2,915	2,531	861	187	566	28,529	26,685	24,741	23,474	
December	9,834	8,468	3,612	2,397	2,785	679	302	598	28,675	30,088	24,006	25,119	
March	10,117	7,852	4,092	1,972	2,798	649	206	603	28,289	28,968	24,167	24,483	
June	9,730	8,418	4,426	2,409	2,880	949	179	632	29,623	29,556	25,195	25,089	
1967-68—September	10,154	9,373	4,284	2,285	3,391	958	276	742	31,463	29,453	27,600	26,225	
December	9,755	8,796	3,388	1,998	3,251	802	130	486	28,606	30,031	25,349	26,509	
March	9,913	8,621	4,208	2,056	3,730	970	262	685	30,445	31,162	26,784	27,137	
June	10,752	9,517	4,405	1,974	4,272	779	400	504	32,603	32,505	28,879	28,735	
1968-69—September p.	11,243	9,756	4,105	2,340	4,279	714	354	685	33,476	31,345	30,167	28,676	
Completed													
												Original	
Quarterly average													
1963-64	8,432	6,767	2,740	2,869	2,143	669	84	479	24,183			20,418	
1964-65	9,973	7,874	3,406	3,218	2,322	683	152	535	28,163			23,869	
1965-66	10,192	7,609	3,657	3,052	2,222	620	196	645	28,192			23,759	
1966-67	9,217	8,066	4,074	2,709	2,504	737	121	545	27,973			23,961	
1967-68	10,345	8,570	4,070	2,204	3,063	906	228	659	30,045			26,147	
Quarterly total													
1965-66—March	9,378	6,369	3,367	2,719	2,226	537	249	641	25,486	27,934		21,998	
June	9,426	7,807	4,170	2,975	2,276	657	254	604	28,169	27,813		23,041	
1966-67—September	9,163	7,779	3,734	3,098	2,212	671	97	636	27,390	27,514		23,217	
December	9,969	9,026	4,764	2,910	2,790	758	153	547	30,917	28,603		26,293	
March	8,385	6,833	3,716	2,307	2,272	638	127	430	24,708	27,162		21,806	
June	9,350	8,626	4,081	2,521	2,740	883	107	569	28,877	28,497		24,528	
1967-68—September	10,021	8,760	4,009	2,398	2,959	836	156	740	29,879	29,979		25,877	
December	11,139	9,518	4,102	2,426	3,325	1,091	285	665	32,551	30,115		28,172	
March	9,571	7,263	3,733	1,897	2,906	801	215	536	26,922	29,650		23,895	
June	10,647	8,737	4,435	2,096	3,060	895	254	694	30,818	30,393		26,645	
1968-69—September p.	11,078	8,710	4,238	2,090	3,750	742	165	629	31,402	31,496		27,509	
Under construction at end of period													
												Original	
1963-64	20,240	17,863	3,608	6,364	3,984	1,723	480	1,215	55,477			45,029	
1964-65	22,557	18,189	4,068	6,872	3,895	1,788	623	1,543	59,535			47,086	
1965-66	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973			43,850	
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197			46,115	
1967-68	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070			50,068	
Quarterly total													
1965-66—March	19,264	16,804	4,784	5,757	3,953	1,724	515	1,233	54,034			43,117	
June	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973			43,850	
1966-67—September	18,956	17,393	5,248	5,422	4,452	1,910	561	1,170	55,112			45,374	
December	18,821	16,835	4,096	4,909	4,447	1,831	710	1,221	52,870			43,087	
March	20,553	17,854	4,472	4,574	4,973	1,842	789	1,394	56,451			45,448	
June	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197			46,115	
1967-68—September	21,066	18,259	5,092	4,349	5,545	2,030	981	1,459	58,781			47,838	
December	19,682	17,537	4,378	3,921	5,471	1,741	826	1,280	54,836			45,015	
March	20,024	18,895	4,853	4,080	6,295	1,910	873	1,429	58,359			47,904	
June	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070			50,068	
1968-69—September p.	20,294	20,584	4,690	4,199	8,021	1,762	1,208	1,292	62,050			52,632	

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include 'home units'.

VALUE OF WORK DONE(a) ON NEW BUILDINGS

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
New houses and flats										
									Original	Season-ally adjusted
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	63,330	52,278	18,894	20,620	14,934	4,645	983	4,715	180,399	..
1964-65	75,980	60,081	24,835	23,311	17,014	5,146	1,526	5,975	213,868	..
1965-66	76,227	58,352	28,761	21,560	17,225	4,714	1,714	6,414	214,968	..
1966-67	78,515	66,477	31,239	19,344	22,944	6,025	1,865	6,285	232,695	..
1967-68	88,242	73,354	34,640	17,566	30,330	7,643	2,727	7,110	261,611	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—March	70,290	53,878	27,094	20,431	17,268	4,282	2,017	6,086	201,346	210.8
June	75,302	60,753	32,883	20,976	18,551	4,937	1,390	6,361	221,153	218.8
1966-67—September	77,720	65,787	29,130	21,309	21,158	5,584	1,879	6,783	229,350	223.0
December	79,362	66,630	31,343	20,067	23,251	5,658	1,648	5,566	233,525	232.2
March	73,164	62,765	30,675	17,751	21,804	5,290	1,619	5,961	219,029	229.6
June	83,815	70,737	33,807	18,250	25,562	7,568	2,308	6,829	248,876	245.7
1967-68—September	88,102	74,010	34,698	18,801	26,152	8,086	2,373	7,407	259,629	252.6
December	87,248	73,397	31,979	17,838	29,823	7,569	2,438	7,210	257,502	256.1
March	85,607	69,220	33,155	16,917	27,906	7,192	2,837	6,969	249,803	262.1
June	92,009	76,789	38,729	16,708	37,438	7,724	3,261	6,853	279,511	275.6
Other new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	59,200	38,406	18,251	13,364	9,489	4,318	1,374	6,162	150,564	..
1964-65	66,458	43,293	21,724	16,780	13,730	4,443	1,419	7,489	175,336	..
1965-66	77,392	52,249	26,684	17,631	16,146	6,086	1,723	7,412	205,323	..
1966-67	70,746	55,371	26,703	16,552	17,988	7,250	2,295	6,756	203,661	..
1967-68	71,565	58,083	29,196	16,811	22,780	7,372	2,900	8,269	216,975	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—March	73,075	50,492	24,561	16,294	15,075	6,070	2,015	9,508	197,090	209.6
June	78,138	56,484	27,381	16,856	15,119	7,483	1,923	7,111	210,495	208.3
1966-67—September	86,031	60,105	27,421	17,244	17,378	7,105	1,824	7,858	224,966	215.2
December	66,528	55,628	24,768	17,458	18,550	7,985	2,391	7,509	200,817	199.9
March	59,539	50,490	25,474	15,054	18,685	6,240	2,073	5,201	182,756	194.8
June	70,885	55,261	29,150	16,454	17,338	7,668	2,893	6,456	206,105	203.8
1967-68—September	69,259	57,995	28,750	16,873	22,993	7,683	2,515	6,030	212,098	202.8
December	72,506	59,110	29,421	16,624	22,507	7,366	2,725	10,468	220,727	219.7
March	67,196	55,943	26,592	15,928	21,795	7,120	3,698	8,774	207,046	220.9
June	77,299	59,285	32,021	17,817	23,823	7,318	2,663	7,804	228,030	225.3
All new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	122,529	90,685	37,145	33,984	24,423	8,962	2,358	10,877	330,963	..
1964-65	142,438	103,374	46,559	40,091	30,744	9,589	2,944	13,465	389,204	..
1965-66	153,619	110,601	55,445	39,190	33,371	10,800	3,437	13,827	420,290	..
1966-67	149,261	121,850	57,942	35,897	40,932	13,274	4,158	13,041	436,356	..
1967-68	159,807	131,437	63,836	34,377	53,109	15,015	5,628	15,379	478,587	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—March	143,365	104,370	51,655	36,725	32,343	10,352	4,032	15,594	398,436	418.9
June	153,440	117,237	60,264	37,832	33,670	12,420	3,313	13,472	431,648	428.4
1966-67—September	163,751	125,892	56,551	38,553	38,536	12,689	3,703	14,641	454,316	437.9
December	145,890	122,258	56,111	37,525	41,801	13,643	4,039	13,075	434,342	432.3
March	132,703	113,255	56,149	32,805	40,489	11,530	3,692	11,162	401,785	422.9
June	154,700	125,998	62,957	34,704	42,900	15,236	5,201	13,285	454,981	451.5
1967-68—September	157,361	132,005	63,448	35,674	49,145	15,769	4,888	13,437	471,727	454.6
December	159,754	132,507	61,399	34,462	52,330	14,935	5,163	17,678	478,228	475.9
March	152,803	125,163	59,748	32,845	49,701	14,312	6,535	15,743	456,850	480.9
June	169,308	136,074	70,750	34,525	61,261	15,042	5,924	14,657	507,541	503.5

(a) See footnote (b) page 32.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES

These statistics are designed primarily to measure trends in expenditure by private businesses on fixed tangible assets. The statistics are based on returns obtained from private businesses subject to pay-roll tax (other than businesses in rural, professional, gas and electricity industries), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses not subject to pay-roll tax which undertake projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. For statistics of capital expenditure by all private businesses, see the series 'Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure' on page 55 of this publication.

(\$ million)

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY

Period	Manufacturing									Non-manufacturing				All Industries*
	Extracting, refining, founding	Engineering (a)	Vehicles (b)	Chemicals (c)	Textiles and clothing	Food, drink and tobacco	Paper and printing	Other manufacturing (d)	Total manufacturing	Wholesale and retail trade	Mining	Transport (e)	Other non-manufacturing (f)	
Quarterly average														
1963-64	24.9	22.2	16.1	25.2	6.2	25.3	11.8	19.4	151.1	54.5	16.9	18.6	44.9	285.9
1964-65	29.6	27.1	23.1	31.8	8.0	35.2	13.8	24.1	192.7	55.4	26.6	31.7	53.1	359.6
1965-66	43.7	30.5	20.0	37.2	10.3	36.7	15.1	27.8	221.2	63.3	54.3	32.7	68.1	439.6
1966-67	46.0	32.1	10.6	31.7	8.6	34.2	17.2	27.2	207.5	61.6	60.7	32.4	62.1	424.3
1967-68	41.4	29.9	13.4	32.4	7.6	36.6	19.6	26.9	207.8	63.2	81.3	42.9	72.8	468.0
Quarterly total														
1965-66—														
December	44.9	32.6	22.5	43.2	10.4	41.9	15.3	27.5	238.3	71.1	55.9	39.2	70.7	475.2
March	38.9	25.1	19.5	33.0	8.7	29.0	13.3	25.8	193.3	51.6	52.7	26.7	64.4	388.7
June	54.7	34.6	16.1	41.6	11.2	35.8	18.7	29.4	242.1	62.4	55.4	28.7	69.9	458.5
1966-67—														
September	61.2	31.2	9.7	41.4	7.1	32.9	12.8	28.5	224.8	65.3	46.9	29.6	65.8	432.4
December	46.6	33.5	10.7	36.8	7.6	38.6	17.4	28.2	219.4	70.0	68.9	25.8	67.4	451.5
March	36.0	26.4	7.9	24.8	8.0	27.6	15.8	24.6	171.1	54.5	52.9	37.4	51.9	367.8
June	40.2	37.3	14.0	23.7	11.5	37.8	22.7	27.6	214.8	56.6	74.1	36.7	63.3	445.5
1967-68—														
September	42.2	29.3	13.6	26.1	6.7	35.2	18.5	25.5	197.1	65.6	70.4	35.7	65.0	433.8
December	48.5	34.2	12.9	33.4	7.8	44.6	22.8	28.5	232.7	60.7	97.1	50.8	81.5	522.8
March	32.8	24.2	13.3	26.9	6.7	28.7	17.5	23.8	173.9	58.8	72.2	34.2	65.1	404.2
June	42.1	31.9	13.8	43.1	9.2	38.1	19.4	29.8	227.4	67.7	85.6	50.9	79.4	511.0
1968-69—														
September	39.2	32.6	13.5	39.0	8.0	31.9	20.4	24.9	209.5	76.5	90.7	38.5	69.2	484.4

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET

Period	New buildings and structures (g)		Other new capital equipment (h)		Total new capital expenditure	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average						
1963-64	103.3	..	182.6	..	285.9	..
1964-65	116.4	..	243.1	..	359.6	..
1965-66	145.2	..	294.4	..	439.6	..
1966-67	140.1	..	284.2	..	424.3	..
1967-68	168.7	..	299.3	..	468.0	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
December	158.9	144.3	316.3	294.3	475.2	439.0
March	118.3	142.5	270.4	309.9	388.7	449.1
June	154.2	147.8	304.3	284.4	458.5	434.1
1966-67—						
September	141.3	137.6	291.1	296.7	432.4	435.0
December	148.4	134.6	303.1	280.9	451.5	415.5
March	122.0	147.9	245.8	282.3	367.8	426.0
June	148.8	142.4	296.7	278.1	445.5	422.7
1967-68—						
September	167.1	162.5	266.7	271.3	433.8	435.5
December	191.8	174.2	331.0	306.8	522.8	481.4
March	143.0	173.8	261.2	300.2	404.2	468.9
June	172.8	165.2	338.2	317.3	511.0	484.8
1968-69—						
September	181.7	176.6	302.7	307.3	484.4	485.9

(a) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment. (b) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, parts and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs. (c) Chemicals, fertilisers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining. (d) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, etc. (e) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and stevedoring. (f) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc. (g) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure. (h) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

MINE PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS

Period	Metals										Bauxite (b)	Iron ore (b)
	Copper (a)	Lead (a)	Zinc (a)	Tin (a)	Gold (a)	Silver (a)	Mineral sands concentrates(b)					
							Rutile	Ilmenite	Zircon			
	tons	tons	tons	tons	000 fine oz	000 fine oz	tons	tons	tons	000 tons	000 tons	
Monthly average												
1958-59	7,226	27,230	23,571	199	91.7	1,353	6,674	5,531	6,735	1	334	
1959-60	8,584	26,577	24,825	187	90.6	1,276	7,186	6,966	9,880	1	358	
1960-61	9,071	25,203	27,237	211	89.6	1,232	7,961	10,917	10,052	7	401	
1961-62	7,810	24,715	25,782	226	89.2	1,190	9,115	15,576	10,825	1	435	
1962-63	8,774	32,398	28,646	234	89.2	1,526	12,177	13,511	12,926	14	405	
1963-64	10,001	32,971	28,491	259	81.9	1,628	15,596	22,944	15,314	40	496	
1964-65	6,454	30,082	28,933	309	78.9	1,405	16,376	31,123	17,315	87	498	
1965-66	9,531	30,918	30,736	382	74.6	1,568	19,324	41,063	19,975	112	623	
1966-67p	8,366	31,261	32,947	405	71.4	1,610	21,534	42,446	21,301	257	1,276	
1967-68p	7,528	30,509	32,510	499	66.9	1,694	23,832	43,884	25,384	375	1,690	
Monthly total												
1966-67p—												
July	9,613	35,968	36,029	475	73.5	1,781	20,998	39,898	19,226	454	3,593	
August	9,693	36,650	36,209	437	83.7	1,736	19,028	42,357	18,957			
September	9,279	34,163	33,470	414	69.4	1,696	20,823	46,645	18,838			
October	9,616	30,341	32,201	357	72.8	1,458	22,253	42,437	20,144			
November	8,659	33,787	35,934	315	68.0	1,702	22,353	39,708	20,474	638	3,923	
December	7,823	20,349	24,039	382	78.4	1,204	20,166	38,397	17,811			
January	7,391	18,691	20,591	305	71.0	1,128	21,237	40,556	19,510			
February	7,554	31,298	34,759	398	59.2	1,581	21,227	42,240	20,906			
March	8,782	32,569	34,173	387	64.8	1,682	21,996	45,174	23,300	865	3,411	
April	7,416	30,719	32,439	539	74.6	1,603	22,417	43,647	24,457			
May	7,749	35,867	39,867	309	66.0	1,835	24,115	44,229	26,745			
June	6,813	34,732	35,656	540	75.0	1,910	21,797	44,067	25,242			
1967-68p—												
July	7,861	19,959	19,409	542	68.5	1,297	22,170	43,712	24,732	1,116	4,540	
August	7,919	38,478	40,942	428	60.6	1,865	23,952	53,008	27,831			
September	7,382	36,198	36,848	615	64.2	1,824	22,892	46,565	25,519			
October	7,550	37,106	40,295	462	65.6	1,887	24,889	46,900	27,443			
November	7,167	36,865	39,176	488	66.7	1,807	24,634	46,299	26,098	1,074	4,705	
December	6,668	22,549	24,712	587	64.9	1,296	22,099	41,324	22,969			
January	6,616	22,364	26,075	379	56.1	1,323	24,975	40,469	24,885			
February	7,366	31,228	33,758	577	57.7	1,678	21,851	39,156	23,040			
March	8,150	33,694	34,801	361	77.1	1,901	24,258	37,038	24,970	983	4,913	
April	6,973	29,695	31,408	629	71.6	1,812	24,000	43,514	25,426			
May	7,559	31,940	33,761	454	67.9	1,929	26,258	44,789	27,579			
June	9,122	26,035	28,940	471	82.5	1,706	24,005	43,830	24,119			
1968-69p—												
July	9,050	30,276	31,842	600	63.4	2,000	24,499	45,995	26,600	7,193		
August	8,668	28,099	29,505	650	65.0	1,859	23,040	49,751	26,446			
September		36,125	39,909	700			23,493	50,649	25,811			

(a) Quantities shown are metallic contents of mine products based on chemical assay.

(b) Quantities shown are gross output.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS AND METALS

Period	Fuel minerals					Alum- ina	Refined metals(a)						
	Black coal		Brown Coal	Crude petro- leum	Natural gas		Alumi- nium	Copper (b)	Lead (b) (c)	Zinc (b)	Tin	Gold (d)	Silver
	Original	Sea- sonally ad- justed											
	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 barrels	million cu ft	'000 tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz
Monthly average													
1958-59	1,705	..	1,020	..	..	2	965	3,772	15,166	9,559	187	88.7	701
1959-60	1,769	..	1,175	..	..	2	930	5,404	15,595	9,816	189	89.4	616
1960-61	1,912	..	1,310	..	..	2	1,008	5,749	14,568	10,495	202	85.9	660
1961-62	2,036	..	1,394	..	n.a.	3	1,201	5,314	14,541	12,812	203	86.4	552
1962-63	2,025	..	1,481	..	6.1	3	2,239	7,138	17,412	14,654	226	83.8	710
1963-64	2,238	..	1,557	..	8.7	7	4,855	7,435	18,108	15,532	246	75.9	783
1964-65	2,407	..	1,629	165	10.0	16	7,125	4,453	16,586	15,783	244	72.6	745
1965-66	2,688	..	1,796	264	12.6	19	7,269	7,632	15,683	16,378	295	64.5	724
1966-67p	2,852	..	1,876	338	12.1	40	7,736	6,193	16,036	16,419	270	60.5	805
1967-68p	r3068	..	r1918	997	13.9	95	7,311	5,996	15,576	15,630	330	54.6	794
Monthly total													
1966-67p—													
July	3,065	2,801	2,088	865	35.3	70	7,759	7,928	17,168	17,835	319	65.1	621
August	3,120	2,887	2,051				7,763	7,456	16,820	16,486	306	71.5	862
September	3,039	2,983	1,786				7,651	9,041	18,683	16,289	357	59.2	755
October	2,890	2,748	1,831				7,846	7,146	17,868	18,067	284	55.7	872
November	3,195	2,825	1,862	774	33.8	114	7,737	7,364	13,721	16,129	338	56.8	723
December	2,490	2,853	1,577				7,844	3,413	14,267	14,944	259	89.3	725
January	1,705	2,845	1,685				7,852	6,659	16,892	17,489	147	51.0	966
February	2,922	2,866	1,627				7,389	4,049	15,829	15,256	299	52.7	719
March	2,646	2,838	1,903	39.2	37.5	181	7,838	4,201	16,749	17,104	366	52.0	764
April	2,741	2,866	1,800				7,701	3,423	13,891	15,945	88	50.4	886
May	3,471	3,032	2,008				7,812	7,835	17,145	16,680	213	52.2	894
June	2,942	2,714	2,292				7,634	5,798	13,351	14,806	261	70.1	876
1967-68p—													
July	3,150	2,881	2,207	683	14.6	254	7,859	4,705	15,246	18,345	256	52.5	922
August	3,136	2,931	2,240	609	12.0		7,897	6,060	17,208	16,615	434	51.7	688
September	2,950	3,002	2,011	887	12.8		7,727	6,388	16,197	16,541	353	52.5	787
October	3,166	2,877	1,997	972	10.5		7,407	6,520	16,159	16,269	271	66.9	680
November	3,382	2,996	1,969	961	13.1	296	7,144	5,948	17,092	15,666	569	71.6	819
December	2,496	3,066	1,644	1,070	12.5		7,066	4,507	15,059	13,755	337	48.5	770
January	r1,992	r3,064	r1,562	1,113	12.2		7,350	4,326	15,206	15,756	300	42.1	753
February	r3,367	r3,144	r1,567	1,043	11.1		6,819	4,193	14,091	13,854	327	46.0	640
March	r3,341	r3,158	r1,767	1,147	11.2	300	7,145	5,383	16,381	14,887	251	52.8	833
April	r2,814	r3,432	1,864	1,117	16.5		6,965	7,091	18,373	15,816	280	52.7	896
May	r3,760	r3,281	1,945	1,274	20.0		7,131	8,036	13,123	14,987	304	50.7	r882
June	r3,263	r3,319	2,247	1,087	20.7		7,227	8,795	12,773	15,074	273	67.3	857
1968-69—													
July	4,097	3,430	2,055	1,247	21.8		8,076	6,767	12,123	19,025	208	64.0	742
August	3,430	3,541	2,305	1,211	21.3		8,393	7,551	13,125	19,084	316	49.9	768
September	3,566	3,435	2,058	1,144	20.0		8,570		14,097		388	51.4	
October	3,960	3,434		1,207	20.1								

(a) Primary origin only. (b) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (c) Refined lead including lead content of lead alloys from primary sources; excludes lead content of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (d) Newly-won gold of Australian origin. Source: Reserve Bank.

PRODUCTION OF ENERGY AND IRON AND STEEL

Period	Heat, light and power				Iron and steel				
	Total gas available for issue(a)		Total electricity generated		Pig iron	Ingot steel(b)		Blooms and slabs	Tinplate
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted		
	million therms (c)	million therms (c)	million kWh	million kWh	000 tons (d)	000 tons (d)	000 tons	000 tons (d)	tons (d)
Monthly average—									
1958-59	20.4	..	1,788	..	191	267	..	234	6,433
1959-60	21.4	..	1,929	..	221	293	..	252	7,315
1960-61	22.0	..	2,067	..	250	312	..	266	8,982
1961-62	22.0	..	2,184	..	282	339	..	277	8,915
1962-63	22.8	..	2,422	..	283	355	..	306	17,512
1963-64	23.6	..	2,696	..	314	397	..	339	16,511
1964-65	24.0	..	2,973	..	328	419	..	375	18,671
1965-66	24.2	..	3,184	..	365	463	..	402	19,923
1966-67	25.1	..	3,457	..	408	505	..	436	21,398
1967-68p	25.8	..	3,680	..	434	525	..	457	21,172
Monthly total									
1966-67—									
October	25.4	25.3	3,390	3,429	433	541	538	465	22,695
November	22.7	25.1	3,280	3,416	420	524	522	441	22,560
December	20.9	24.9	3,166	3,464	413	515	495	446	22,902
January	18.9	24.9	3,081	3,506	419	508	503	427	22,678
February	18.5	24.6	3,069	3,523	355	454	511	420	20,936
March	21.7	25.5	3,340	3,516	400	521	522	442	21,350
April	22.7	24.8	3,310	3,514	382	460	508	393	19,176
May	28.1	25.0	3,798	3,540	446	551	543	464	22,320
June	30.7	25.1	3,883	3,533	427	528	526	450	24,621
1967-68p—									
July	34.0	25.6	4,177	3,588	438	523	506	468	23,531
August	33.3	26.7	4,205	3,695	449	538	512	467	23,703
September	28.4	26.7	3,757	3,705	427	539	522	467	22,582
October	25.0	24.8	3,611	3,622	416	528	524	473	23,054
November	22.3	24.8	3,513	3,659	382	475	468	432	23,394
December	21.2	25.3	3,207	3,563	435	542	527	457	23,994
January	18.8	24.7	3,240	3,628	445	524	520	456	21,672
February	18.3	23.5	3,280	3,646	420	477	515	416	18,869
March	21.2	24.6	3,541	3,731	460	546	554	470	17,211
April	21.9	24.1	3,433	3,632	442	528	574	448	16,608
May	31.1	27.8	4,143	3,876	466	549	539	479	14,824
June	33.8	27.8	4,256	3,959	435	503	512	445	15,866
1968-69—									
July	37.5	27.9	4,640	3,896	412	495	478	471	18,052
August	34.8	28.0	4,475	3,957	450	550	517	481	20,020
September	29.9	28.2	4,033	4,013	455	537	518	461	22,179
October	27.8	27.6	3,958	3,919	497	565	561	494	22,059
November	24.5	27.3	3,808	3,987	487	534	527	465	21,952

(a) Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from petroleum refineries. Does not include natural gas. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) 1 Therm — 100,000 British Thermal Units. (d) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

Period	Building materials									Building fittings			Floor coverings (b)
	Clay bricks	Roofing tiles		Asbestos cement building sheets	Sawn Aust. grown timber (a)	Portland cement		Plaster sheets	Particle board	Baths—C.I.P.E. and other metal	Wash basins—C.I.P.E. and earthenware	Sinks—stainless steel	
		Terra-cotta	Concrete			Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Million	'000	'000	'000 sq yd	Million sup ft	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 sq yd	Million sq ft	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq yd	
Monthly average													
1958-59	78	4,936	4,355	2,237	122	207	..	1,528	} n.a. }	10,136	13,217	15,384	1,066
1959-60	86	4,739	4,741	2,536	127	219	..	1,550		10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304
1960-61	88	4,599	4,388	2,462	121	238	..	1,431		9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141
1961-62	83	4,171	4,435	2,233	113	234	..	1,278		9,171	13,327	14,536	1,094
1962-63	88	4,274	5,040	2,311	118	245	..	1,319		9,101	14,593	14,474	1,364
1963-64	103	4,482	6,379	2,482	121	276	..	1,320	} 7.7 }	10,571	15,286	16,221	1,542
1964-65	112	4,461	7,284	2,754	126	312	..	c 1,203		12,541	17,875	18,161	1,949
1965-66	113	4,225	6,967	2,698	124	307	..	2,491	} 9.3 }	12,377	17,544	19,186	2,147
1966-67	114	3,942	7,375	d 2,713	119	305	..	2,583		12,873	16,946	18,212	2,024
1967-68p	120	3,964	8,061	3,047	121	317	..	2,792		13,799	17,418	18,050	2,231
Monthly total													
1966-67—				(d)									
October	117	4,040	7,800	3,107	129	318	292	2,683	8.6	14,134	16,793	20,791	2,185
November	123	4,676	7,929	3,348	127	315	304	3,101	9.5	14,745	19,508	22,296	2,255
December	98	3,509	5,938	2,622	110	275	303	2,086	5.8	10,578	15,105	15,683	1,907
January	79	1,979	4,328	1,113	75	223	296	1,593	5.5	6,189	9,375	9,291	965
February	110	4,158	6,852	2,933	102	291	314	2,577	7.0	13,442	16,752	16,679	2,165
March	117	3,897	7,721	3,267	112	308	298	2,725	8.3	14,017	21,020	17,879	2,165
April	113	3,700	7,482	2,363	120	311	309	2,417	7.7	13,461	17,536	15,087	1,954
May	129	4,240	8,707	2,959	135	354	324	3,209	9.1	16,167	18,503	19,026	2,122
June	116	3,983	8,422	2,536	134	317	317	2,620	7.5	13,012	18,761	17,788	1,814
1967-68p—													
July	115	3,918	8,640	2,753	109	336	322	2,707	9.3	13,331	16,396	16,208	1,981
August	123	4,656	9,007	2,515	134	341	321	3,226	9.8	13,872	18,216	20,774	2,401
September	120	3,906	7,933	3,036	134	333	321	2,642	10.0	14,592	18,064	21,949	2,232
October	124	3,901	8,360	3,211	143	354	324	2,864	9.6	15,100	15,146	19,650	2,458
November	128	4,336	9,119	3,583	127	324	313	3,319	10.6	15,722	17,223	17,189	2,605
December	106	3,262	6,060	3,020	114	277	307	2,390	8.6	11,139	16,737	12,951	2,128
January	91	2,366	5,226	1,897	82	240	317	1,890	5.4	7,192	7,467	8,246	1,270
February	122	3,921	7,886	3,316	105	312	324	2,897	9.2	15,474	16,602	18,611	2,311
March	128	4,151	8,876	3,307	124	329	323	2,985	9.7	15,835	19,017	20,826	2,274
April	122	3,888	8,285	2,916	117	296	291	2,656	8.8	14,879	18,055	18,308	2,398
May	138	4,876	9,333	3,562	135	347	317	3,294	10.9	16,027	25,930	24,046	2,596
June	122	4,381	8,009	3,449	126	314	317	2,664	9.3	12,427	20,158	17,846	2,118
1968-69p—													
July	136	4,771	9,485	3,410	r 139	341	323	r 3,103	11.8	15,930	22,762	19,583	2,635
August	132	4,355	9,210	3,353	r 129	344	325	r 2,980	10.5	14,856	20,045	18,534	2,535
September	130	4,175	9,019	3,253	125	345	334	2,968	10.6	14,859	18,914	19,297	2,595
October	142	5,082	9,825	3,512		366	334	3,413	r 12.3	17,302	20,802	18,495	2,954
November						349	338		11.0				2,950

(a) Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1962-63 and latter periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) Prior to July 1965 series refers to the production of Fibrous Plaster Sheets only. (d) From July 1966 series refers to the production of non-acoustic sheets only.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period	Domestic cooking stoves			Do- mestic refriger- ators	Do- mestic clothes washing ma- chines	Radios and radio- grams	Tele- vision sets (c)	Room air con- ditioners (d)	Electric motors			Internal com- bustion engines —petrol (e)
	Solid fuel	Gas (a)— upright or elevated	Electric (b)						Under 1 hp		1 hp and over	
									Original	Season- ally ad- justed		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000	No.
Monthly average												
1958-59	3,288	5,531	8,352	18,316	15,016	31,526	26,368	1,061	105	..	5.8	24,186
1959-60	3,071	6,634	9,716	19,763	16,823	33,549	36,508	3,339	132	..	8.5	24,326
1960-61	2,644	6,097	8,992	18,293	16,295	37,899	26,331	5,602	146	..	9.3	15,348
1961-62	2,409	5,639	10,282	17,657	18,342	30,583	24,125	2,423	135	..	6.8	16,948
1962-63	2,262	5,464	12,139	17,196	17,987	41,671	24,724	948	154	..	7.5	22,367
1963-64	2,340	6,448	14,671	16,949	18,506	38,794	22,520	686	176	..	9.4	23,818
1964-65	1,966	7,040	16,301	18,897	21,957	38,610	25,918	931	205	..	9.9	23,813
1965-66	1,748	5,930	16,968	17,854	20,050	32,962	23,160	2,281	197	..	10.6	18,786
1966-67	1,569	6,290	17,552	19,391	19,281	37,304	20,942	3,135	211	..	11.7	22,032
1967-68p	1,240	6,092	17,836	20,529	23,074	41,318	21,189	4,568	231	..	11.6	20,404
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
October	1,648	6,886	21,877	23,096	20,828	44,199	20,100	3,117	221	212	11.2	32,008
November	1,707	7,717	21,176	24,120	22,258	58,724	21,854	4,342	254	207	13.6	36,188
December	1,514	6,701	17,599	20,234	17,277	47,398	16,583	4,075	186	205	10.2	25,202
January	626	3,062	9,101	11,924	7,217	19,051	7,795	3,315	111	208	6.2	16,850
February	1,482	6,989	16,715	19,401	17,710	36,283	17,453	3,590	213	213	12.2	23,413
March	1,462	7,354	16,913	28,324	19,759	37,129	20,117	3,420	216	215	13.1	21,413
April	1,189	5,392	14,210	15,522	17,919	34,930	19,656	2,461	210	219	12.7	15,310
May	1,774	6,548	16,520	19,361	23,234	36,727	26,587	2,776	236	225	14.2	10,375
June	1,370	5,850	15,973	20,678	21,624	37,051	26,066	2,072	227	220	12.4	12,516
1967-68p—												
July	1,624	6,190	19,208	20,984	21,546	36,790	23,342	3,419	235	231	12.2	22,724
August	1,963	7,036	20,470	24,293	25,979	43,829	24,390	5,123	273	237	12.7	34,891
September	1,474	7,676	19,438	24,690	23,099	43,037	23,040	4,985	253	245	11.1	37,156
October	1,412	6,858	20,616	24,730	23,769	49,615	20,690	6,194	251	234	12.7	34,505
November	1,325	6,817	22,679	25,408	26,652	59,561	21,905	7,946	287	234	13.6	30,461
December	1,020	5,698	14,691	17,609	16,935	44,813	16,184	5,462	202	229	8.4	15,109
January	554	3,503	8,609	13,426	11,202	17,707	9,164	3,250	131	222	5.9	9,007
February	885	6,284	15,866	18,548	24,047	32,677	21,273	3,689	224	213	9.7	18,075
March	1,028	5,905	18,806	20,264	25,948	39,710	22,696	3,180	227	221	12.4	12,480
April	919	5,236	16,336	15,805	21,811	38,710	21,288	3,298	204	228	13.0	11,385
May	1,454	6,081	19,687	20,101	29,100	46,250	28,006	3,936	261	246	15.2	9,797
June	1,225	5,824	17,623	20,490	26,799	43,116	22,294	4,334	223	228	12.5	9,254
1968-69p—												
July	r1,647	6,276	20,528	25,569	29,647	44,308	27,862	6,998	280	252	17.5	r13,839
August	r1,368	8,012	20,160	27,147	30,195	52,604	26,428	7,660	276	254	15.6	r32,263
September	r1,094	8,225	23,876	26,626	27,144	53,555	26,189	8,032	267	263	16.3	r36,536
October	1,142	8,973	26,555	30,070	26,673	r73,210	r27,176	10,922	304	263	r18.6	r37,783
November				27,389	23,859	87,358	23,998		287	249	18.9	30,744

(a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges. Includes wall ovens. (b) Includes fixed ranges, wall ovens, cooking tops grill-boilers and other ranges. (c) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player. (d) Includes package unit air conditioners. (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc., and marine engines.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MEAT

Period	Whole milk for all purposes		Dairy products (Factory production)			Meat (carcass weight)					
			Butter (a)	Cheese (b)	Pro- cessed full cream milk products	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted								Original	Seasonally adjusted
	Million gal	Million gal	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 gal(c)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
Monthly Average											
1958-59	114.2	..	35,638	8,107	6,756	75.5	25.9	15.2	8.5	125.0	..
1959-60	117.2	..	36,402	8,355	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	118.8	..
1960-61	111.6	..	33,452	8,736	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	109.5	..
1961-62	120.3	..	36,821	10,356	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	124.9	..
1962-63	122.3	..	37,565	10,810	6,931	76.2	30.2	19.2	9.5	135.1	..
1963-64	124.7	..	37,811	10,777	7,686	82.1	30.1	18.8	9.3	140.2	..
1964-65	126.7	..	37,979	11,462	8,081	84.2	30.1	18.6	10.0	142.9	..
1965-66	126.8	..	38,356	10,924	7,766	77.6	32.5	17.4	11.1	138.6	..
1966-67	133.7	..	40,776	12,831	7,837	72.1	29.1	19.8	11.7	132.6	..
1967-68p	125.2	..	36,024	12,937	8,345	74.2	34.4	20.1	12.4	141.1	..
Monthly Total											
1966-67—											
October	198.4	135.1	65,898	20,526	11,764	64.6	30.4	21.2	12.2	128.4	135.5
November	198.4	135.0	66,683	19,667	11,530	64.2	30.5	23.0	12.9	130.7	130.0
December	184.6	133.6	61,454	17,688	11,062	62.2	30.0	22.3	12.3	126.9	133.9
January	167.8	137.1	54,947	15,819	10,089	60.6	29.3	19.1	10.1	119.1	133.2
February	130.1	136.3	40,430	11,083	7,964	65.4	29.5	18.6	11.1	124.7	131.7
March	116.0	136.6	33,907	10,007	7,040	67.9	30.5	20.2	12.1	130.8	125.8
April	85.3	129.5	21,639	7,262	4,803	70.1	27.8	18.0	11.8	127.7	126.8
May	73.6	126.4	16,490	6,371	4,089	85.1	31.5	19.6	12.4	148.6	131.1
June	65.5	120.1	13,532	6,019	3,122	81.5	28.5	18.3	11.2	139.4	128.4
1967-68p—						r	r	r	r	r	r
July	85.9	129.8	20,473	8,512	5,229	79.5	27.1	16.7	11.9	135.1	136.5
August	126.0	130.7	36,051	13,212	8,898	78.3	28.2	18.2	12.3	137.0	134.2
September	159.9	131.4	49,798	17,080	11,272	76.5	32.9	19.3	12.3	141.0	148.8
October	193.8	129.8	62,685	21,077	13,571	75.7	42.3	22.8	13.1	154.0	159.1
November	189.3	129.8	61,327	20,475	12,886	75.9	43.0	24.3	13.3	156.5	154.2
December	173.7	126.8	55,077	18,830	12,170	65.2	42.8	21.6	12.3	141.9	154.6
January	155.0	124.9	48,112	15,945	10,684	61.8	39.3	20.5	11.1	132.7	143.0
February	118.9	121.1	33,785	11,688	7,895	70.0	38.8	20.4	11.7	141.0	141.6
March	95.7	115.6	24,126	9,304	5,739	75.5	37.4	20.7	12.7	146.3	140.9
April	74.1	108.9	16,452	6,643	3,971	72.2	26.9	19.3	12.4	130.9	132.1
May	65.7	113.2	12,580	5,882	3,538	82.1	28.5	19.9	13.3	143.7	123.8
June	64.8	123.0	11,818	6,596	4,285	77.7	24.9	18.0	12.4	133.0	130.9
1968-69p—						r	r	r	r	r	r
July	88.3	129.6	20,746	10,215	4,921	85.4	25.7	21.2	13.5	145.7	139.0
August	127.4	132.9	36,015	15,379	7,839	78.3	25.2	22.7	12.8	139.0	140.0
September	160.9	132.7	49,679	19,273	10,412	77.6	25.2	26.2	13.7	142.8	153.5
October	185.6	123.7	59,184	21,876	11,778	77.8	29.5	34.6	14.0	155.9	153.3

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. Source: From July 1966, Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and State departments of agriculture. (b) From July 1966, as reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and by producers not within the equalisation scheme. (c) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF FLOUR, SUGAR, BEER, TOBACCO AND CHEMICALS

Period	Wheaten flour	Refined sugar (a)	Beer	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	Chemicals and allied products					
					Sulphuric acid (100%)	Super-phosphate (b)	Sulphate of ammonia (c)	Paints		Soap
								Ready-mixed paints and enamels	Lacquers, nitro-cellulose	
	'000 short tons	'000 tons	'000 gal (d)	'000 lb (e)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 gal	'000 gal	'000 cwt
Monthly average										
1958-59	114	43.2	18,633	4,371	82	177	9.79	951	133	104
1959-60	126	45.0	19,306	4,563	89	198	8.74	1,066	150	105
1960-61	130	43.7	19,701	4,853	94	211	8.25	1,053	114	104
1961-62	125	46.1	20,136	4,659	95	216	8.66	1,108	109	98
1962-63	122	47.0	20,788	4,742	105	239	7.79	1,154	120	101
1963-64	139	48.0	21,862	4,674	121	279	7.13	1,291	127	102
1964-65	129	49.4	22,908	4,878	136	309	9.10	1,356	130	96
1965-66	117	50.8	24,110	4,688	148	349	9.18	1,267	120	97
1966-67	115	52.4	25,287	4,845	166	383	8.80	1,337	119	94
1967-68p	118	50.1	26,417	4,915	157	358	5.86	1,391	118	94
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
October	108	57.5	26,851	5,168	166	366	9.81	1,368	130	102
November	117	54.5	30,351	5,215	159	380	7.86	1,549	138	100
December	100	50.4	31,274	4,165	157	341	9.66	1,318	115	69
January	106	53.0	25,597	2,875	187	438	9.24	940	75	64
February	114	49.0	24,761	4,765	164	388	8.16	1,356	120	102
March	133	53.8	27,238	5,151	195	451	10.29	1,391	124	105
April	130	53.2	22,794	4,716	178	411	7.73	1,316	112	105
May	123	51.6	25,065	4,726	172	389	8.09	1,461	135	102
June	113	46.9	21,699	5,483	152	422	7.00	1,293	119	94
1967-68p—										
July	113	49.0	20,904	5,162	136	262	8.65	1,300	108	113
August	121	50.8	25,526	5,214	155	342	6.44	1,475	117	102
September	114	50.5	25,047	4,699	173	386	6.34	1,433	117	86
October	123	54.6	28,039	5,763	160	361	5.35	1,541	128	97
November	138	55.5	28,903	5,043	153	350	5.01	1,707	144	91
December	116	49.4	32,092	3,931	161	364	4.62	1,313	98	81
January	106	49.4	28,920	3,446	163	437	4.53	1,005	71	68
February	101	52.1	28,809	4,979	165	415	4.17	1,367	125	81
March	114	59.0	28,695	5,365	155	348	9.76	1,464	136	105
April	114	50.9	26,157	5,249	170	384	4.55	1,337	120	98
May	136	50.4	25,150	4,981	164	390	4.97	1,543	136	106
June	122	42.3	18,851	5,152	126	256	5.98	1,212	120	99
1968-69p—										
July	132	50.6	(f)23,253	6,028	119	244	5.30	r1,401	125	74
August	119		23,056	5,519	150	345	9.04	r1,357	121	71
September	110		26,013	4,805	173	368	9.13	1,387	r120	72
October	122		30,410	6,131	165	344	8.33	1,623	145	77
November			30,605	5,600	139					

(a) Production in July 1966, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. As from June 1964 includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate, i.e., 22% P₂O₅ equivalent. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilisers Pty Ltd from July 1962 to June 1968. (d) Production is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise and includes waste beer. (e) Source: Department of Customs and Excise. (f) From July 1968, figures collected by Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics, exclude waste beer.

PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES; WOOL; YARNS

Period	Motor vehicles(a)				Pneumatic tyres— motor cycle, car, truck, aero., etc.(b)	Wool received into brokers' stores (c)	Wool prices index Sydney (d)	Scoured and carbon- ised wool	Yarn(e)	
	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks and truck- type vehicles					Cotton	Wool
	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000 bales	cents per lb	mill. lb	'000 lb	'000 lb
Monthly average										
1958-59	14,820	2,767	n.a.	n.a.	328	395	39.6	13.4	3,544	3,381
1959-60	19,197	2,573			352	411	46.9	15.0	3,868	4,213
1960-61	19,018	2,444			360	393	42.9	13.2	3,574	4,090
1961-62	16,890	2,054			333	400	45.1	14.0	3,612	3,811
1962-63	f24,960	f2,321			418	391	48.6	14.3	3,890	4,280
1963-64	26,778	2,530	1,011	2,076	425	416	56.7	13.4	4,616	4,350
1964-65	27,872	2,259	1,113	2,354	460	424	48.0	13.2	4,931	4,527
1965-66	24,477	2,858	1,231	1,814	462	376	50.3	13.1	4,910	4,351
1966-67	24,688	2,929	1,179	1,878	483	401	48.6	12.8	5,054	4,283
1967-68p	27,510	2,716	1,219	1,848	565	403	44.7	13.4	5,042	4,481
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
October	22,353	2,776	1,220	1,756	464	782	48.0	11.8	5,105	4,530
November	26,386	3,099	1,162	1,858	481	627	48.0	13.1	5,730	5,125
December	21,643	2,406	772	1,643	385	348	48.0	11.0	3,933	3,437
January	13,877	1,529	642	997	165	193	47.0	10.6	2,112	2,332
February	27,252	3,963	1,178	2,039	477	278	48.0	14.0	4,791	4,378
March	28,752	3,445	1,591	2,177	494	361	47.0	14.2	5,332	4,278
April	26,315	3,043	1,417	2,004	499	299	47.0	13.9	5,032	4,468
May	31,460	3,619	1,593	2,324	611	240	48.0	15.4	6,200	4,857
June	26,755	3,190	1,376	2,066	584	160	47.0	13.7	5,892	4,804
1967-68p—										
July	26,474	3,200	1,203	1,909	591	283	46.0	12.9	4,952	4,495
August	28,043	3,512	1,442	1,758	566	543	43.0	12.3	5,907	5,232
September	24,805	2,828	1,500	1,879	581	736	43.0	11.2	5,838	4,634
October	30,010	2,967	1,525	2,291	617	790	43.0	13.4	5,615	5,266
November	30,928	3,219	1,790	2,110	637	668	43.0	14.7	5,372	5,287
December	19,239	2,362	1,114	1,563	494	324	44.0	11.1	4,214	3,729
January	13,441	849	386	939	240	179	44.0	11.3	2,436	2,796
February	33,235	1,082	882	2,017	575	298	46.0	14.4	4,956	4,581
March	35,461	1,593	919	1,973	609	347	46.0	14.8	5,370	4,440
April	30,314	3,239	1,311	1,709	561	287	46.0	13.2	4,728	4,370
May	32,206	4,117	1,446	1,994	710	198	46.0	15.3	5,788	4,728
June	25,969	3,629	1,114	2,039	600	188	46.0	16.9	5,333	4,210
1968-69p										
July	31,162	4,116	1,628	r2,089	683	270	45.0	13.8	5,480	4,813
August	30,443	3,140	1,913	r2,170	660	503	45.0	12.2	5,586	4,528
September	29,900	3,754	1,369	r2,188	679	762	46.0		5,533	4,519
October	r32,390	3,599	1,575	r2,159		781	p48.0		5,908	5,199
November	29,674			2,071		722	p49.0		5,507	4,900

(a) Finished and partly finished motor vehicles. (b) Source: Department of Supply. (c) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (d) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (e) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (f) Prior to July 1963 the series represent the production of bodies assembled from local and imported panels.

PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Period	Woven cloth(a) (b)						Blankets	Hosiery		Men's and youths'—		
	Cotton(c)		Wool(d)		Cellu- losic fibre	Syn- thetic fibre		Men's	Women's full length	Short length coats and jackets (e)		Sports trou- sers
	Original	Season- ally ad- justed	Original	Season- ally ad- justed						Suit	Other	
	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000	'000 doz pairs	'000 doz pairs	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average												
1958-59	3,524	..	2,272	..	1,476	516	142	109	205	60.7	62.2	226
1959-60	3,594	..	2,520	..	1,484	616	161	130	212	64.7	75.7	272
1960-61	3,641	..	2,205	..	1,729	837	159	113	218	66.8	70.2	303
1961-62	3,802	..	2,079	..	1,713	1,136	141	118	235	68.7	58.9	309
1962-63	3,924	..	2,352	..	1,990	1,528	154	137	285	75.7	59.6	342
1963-64	4,446	..	1,976	..	2,233	1,660	181	136	316	78.1	60.3	338
1964-65	4,692	..	2,048	..	2,666	1,823	173	142	352	84.2	61.5	357
1965-66	4,658	..	1,944	..	2,747	1,747	142	141	359	83.8	67.4	355
1966-67	4,775	..	1,752	..	2,964	1,957	144	151	401	81.1	77.4	356
1967-68p	4,905		1,925		3,060	2,358	138	159	430	79.2	70.0	335
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
October	4,833	Series under review	1,877	1,708	3,078	1,929	133	180	415	87.3	73.8	382
November	5,043		2,185	1,751	3,104	1,991	159	173	462	101.6	75.2	426
December	3,926		1,581	1,749	2,435	1,410	110	117	329	77.3	58.1	328
January	2,119		986	1,545	1,445	963	66	83	216	37.9	40.2	188
February	4,629		1,921	1,740	3,019	1,797	138	147	399	76.7	85.6	359
March	4,968		1,970	1,750	3,085	2,047	153	149	433	79.8	111.0	402
April	4,839		1,780	1,876	3,047	2,044	159	143	412	74.1	96.4	356
May	5,587		1,932	1,801	3,291	2,401	196	178	483	84.8	104.4	386
June	5,375		1,605	1,789	3,813	2,489	169	163	452	82.0	83.5	337
1967-68p—												
July	4,835		1,591	1,782	3,245	2,143	206	166	425	75.5	63.9	310
August	5,553		1,981	1,927	3,519	2,549	156	187	488	95.8	65.2	360
September	5,830		1,910	1,906	3,507	2,563	144	176	472	89.5	61.8	351
October	5,334		2,238	1,949	3,186	2,458	143	175	502	89.4	68.3	339
November	5,251		2,398	1,962	3,114	2,401	133	185	491	96.7	66.4	376
December	4,247		1,724	1,959	2,465	1,837	85	124	318	73.0	46.4	263
January	2,173		1,284	1,850	1,459	1,146	68	91	253	38.5	34.2	181
February	4,936		2,240	1,963	2,859	2,256	121	149	447	75.0	83.4	349
March	5,434		2,147	1,924	3,351	2,589	134	154	452	78.6	99.5	395
April	4,611		1,837	1,961	2,824	2,307	135	154	420	75.9	82.5	376
May	5,551		2,033	1,925	3,699	3,080	181	180	474	84.8	89.4	413
June	5,101		1,716	2,005	3,488	2,969	151	161	421	78.3	79.1	313
1968-69p—												
July	5,225		1,959	1,985	3,143	2,930	169	197	540	80.6	77.9	342
August	6,054		1,815	1,904	3,502	2,964	146	195	522	87.0	65.5	348
September	5,074		1,961	1,973	3,536	2,857	137	189	522	86.2	62.2	337
October	5,157		2,448	2,003	3,285	2,826	147	195	567	93.4	85.4	402
November	5,266		2,269	1,961	3,283	2,674						

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (b) Over 12 inches wide. (c) Excludes towels and towelling.
 (d) Excludes blanketing and rug material. (e) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period	Shirts, men's and boy's	Underwear		Boots, shoes and sandals (not rubber)		Mat- tresses, inner spring	Lawn mowers, petrol (rotary)	Motor spirit (a)	Plastics and syn- thetic resins (b)	News- print
		Men's and boys'	Women's and girls'	Original	Seasonally adjusted					
	'000 doz	000 doz	'000 doz	'000 pairs	'000 pairs	'000	No.	Million gal	'000 cwt	Tons
Monthly average										
1958-59	135	154	248	2,005	..	48.4	20,329	78	73	6,923
1959-60	153	157	265	2,136	..	51.6	20,240	88	99	7,376
1960-61	152	160	281	2,026	..	49.5	16,335	96	89	7,336
1961-62	135	170	278	2,122	..	52.9	16,726	101	112	7,480
1962-63	160	178	297	2,228	..	53.7	18,098	105	143	7,520
1963-64	164	174	313	2,353	..	57.4	16,600	113	161	7,670
1964-65	179	191	312	2,381	..	60.6	16,762	124	196	7,762
1965-66	189	188	319	2,317	..	58.7	14,700	127	198	7,768
1966-67	184	188	308	2,442	..	56.7	18,319	147	237	8,105
1967-68p	181	199	333	2,577	..	54.1	15,271	158	280	7,721
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
October	213	200	320	2,756	2,403	58.9	32,031	137	249	8,566
November	227	235	374	2,749	2,326	63.3	32,756	116	243	8,459
December	158	175	290	1,918	2,428	61.4	25,280	171	225	6,305
January	76	83	144	1,111	2,364	41.0	16,577	159	194	8,052
February	158	173	304	2,229	2,502	55.6	16,751	138	217	7,864
March	178	191	316	2,354	2,442	59.8	14,461	156	249	8,532
April	166	169	297	2,305	2,495	53.1	9,368	156	251	8,316
May	201	219	340	2,739	2,560	57.9	5,674	140	271	8,619
June	194	189	314	2,584	2,589	53.3	5,121	141	258	7,952
1967-68p—										
July	197	183	326	2,794	2,609	55.6	15,717	150	285	8,062
August	222	231	362	3,280	2,567	62.3	25,359	157	295	8,016
September	208	220	329	3,169	2,683	54.7	29,445	159	274	8,061
October	217	234	367	3,095	2,599	56.7	29,629	163	271	8,314
November	238	252	424	3,231	2,740	58.5	25,075	151	279	7,805
December	154	181	304	2,040	2,663	55.4	9,599	165	270	6,099
January	82	104	186	1,318	2,554	40.6	7,837	177	252	6,757
February	167	197	327	2,330	2,511	55.5	16,029	154	268	7,663
March	160	194	328	2,432	2,533	56.1	9,594	156	279	8,226
April	149	188	329	2,264	2,493	50.0	7,533	149	297	7,985
May	197	224	376	2,663	2,450	57.2	5,474	169	301	7,967
June	183	180	333	2,303	2,591	46.4	1,962	146	283	7,692
1968-69p—										
July	214	223	389	3,034	2,591	56.7	6,634	162	321	7,670
August	220	203	358	3,017	2,512	56.5	27,109	171	324	8,182
September	215	200	320	3,171	2,696	54.5	31,971	157	301	8,014
October	245	230		3,450	2,727	62.1	32,664	181	298	8,394
November							22,827			7,532

(a) Source: Department of National Development.
content.

(b) Liquid resins or emulsion forms are shown in terms of dry weight of resin

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -119-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Belgium	Canada (a)	France (a)	Germany West (a)	Italy	Japan	Nether- lands	Norway (a)	Sweden (a)	United King- dom (a) (b)	U.S.A. (a)
1960	83	83	85	88	77	70	87	86	83	95	87
1961	88	86	90	93	84	83	90	91	89	96	88
1962	93	94	95	-97-	92	90	95	95	94	97	95
1963	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	-100-	100	100	100	100
1964	107	110	107	108	102	116	110	109	110	108	106
1965	109	119	109	114	107	120	116	115	119	111	115
1966	111	128	116	116	-119-	136	123	122	123	112	126
1967	112	130	120	114	128	162	129	127	126	112	127
1966—											
September	120	130	118	118	129	141	128	135	132	113	130
October	118	133	123	121	128	143	133	135	134	115	132
November	115	135	127	123	123	146	138	138	135	116	129
December	118	128	128	114	125	154	131	122	129	111	126
1967—											
January	111	126	123	104	123	142	126	128	129	110	126
February	109	129	123	108	122	149	117	136	131	115	126
March	118	128	125	111	136	165	131	117	132	113	126
April	114	132	123	115	130	153	124	135	135	115	127
May	108	131	122	114	134	155	125	118	135	113	126
June	119	134	127	113	132	162	133	138	133	114	128
July	83	121	109	108	134	162	108	76	55	104	121
August	108	128	75	99	95	159	130	130	122	97	127
September	124	133	121	118	135	170	130	136	135	113	130
October	122	133	127	121	139	171	143	141	136	116	130
November	120	136	131	127	134	174	146	146	140	119	130
December	116	132	131	128	125	182	135	127	137	116	129
1968—											
January	116	129	127	110	128	166	138	131	133	113	128
February	116	133	131	116	133	178	136	140	134	119	131
March	123	133	134	122	139	191	140	142	138	123	132
April	120	135	134	126	136	181	139	122	141	114	131
May	121	139	93	127	143	184	145	132	140	120	133
June	118	142	108	137	134	189	132	138	140	118	136
July	98	127	116	116	144	192	124	86	60	108	129
August	114	131	81	118	101	185	139	133	131	104	131
September			129	134				141			136
October											137

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Includes construction.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a)

Period	Cars and station wagons		Utilities, panel vans, trucks(b), omnibuses, ambulances, hearses		Total (excluding motor cycles)		Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1958-59	14,692	..	5,528	..	20,220	..	837	21,056
1959-60	18,681	..	5,757	..	24,438	..	807	25,246
1960-61	18,594	..	4,931	..	23,526	..	655	24,181
1961-62	18,012	..	4,345	..	22,356	..	593	22,949
1962-63	23,745	..	5,007	..	28,752	..	452	29,204
1963-64	27,444	..	5,901	..	33,344	..	456	33,801
1964-65	28,962	..	6,123	..	35,085	..	624	35,709
1965-66	25,671	..	6,312	..	31,983	..	724	32,706
1966-67	26,181	..	6,330	..	32,511	..	1,100	33,611
1967-68	30,563	..	6,371	..	36,934	..	1,745	38,678
Monthly total								
1966-67—								
October	25,584	25,226	5,875	5,838	31,459	31,088	1,721	33,180
November	28,257	26,404	7,328	6,523	35,585	32,744	1,759	37,344
December	27,404	26,677	6,315	6,737	33,719	33,476	1,633	35,352
January	22,187	27,222	4,910	6,430	27,097	33,670	1,206	28,303
February	23,363	25,947	5,390	6,316	28,753	32,224	1,432	30,185
March	27,696	26,851	6,642	6,919	34,338	33,818	1,530	35,868
April	25,975	26,800	6,563	6,737	32,538	33,526	1,336	33,874
May	29,144	27,407	7,582	6,579	36,726	33,683	1,552	38,278
June	27,529	27,906	6,758	6,361	34,287	34,510	1,130	35,417
1967-68—								
July	27,331	27,279	6,765	6,475	34,096	33,707	1,262	35,358
August	30,210	27,590	7,023	6,582	37,233	34,216	1,283	38,516
September	28,553	28,604	6,343	6,236	34,896	34,973	1,373	36,269
October	31,442	29,997	6,882	6,558	38,324	36,539	1,764	40,088
November	32,476	30,413	7,056	6,279	39,532	36,461	1,813	41,345
December	29,635	30,107	5,618	6,281	35,253	36,488	1,625	36,878
January	25,675	30,135	5,379	6,732	31,054	36,925	1,744	32,798
February	29,703	31,399	5,847	6,533	35,550	37,940	2,493	38,043
March	31,643	31,454	5,453	5,604	37,096	37,245	2,333	39,429
April	31,700	32,248	5,401	5,603	37,101	37,936	1,923	39,024
May	36,823	34,222	7,475	6,483	44,298	40,271	1,977	46,275
June	31,567	34,424	7,217	7,471	38,784	42,157	1,346	40,130
1968-69—								
July	31,816	29,378	8,141	7,104	39,957	36,457	1,688	41,645
August	28,235	26,839	7,309	7,145	35,544	34,046	1,633	37,177
September	27,243	27,884	6,829	6,708	34,072	34,661	1,789	35,861
October	32,772	29,498	7,857	7,175	40,629	36,735	1,999	42,628
Novemberp	30,871	30,266	7,530	7,018	38,401	36,995	2,014	40,415

(a) Registrations during period. Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles except those belonging to the defence services. all truck-type vehicles.

(b) Includes

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Part of the shipping cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately; 1 'ton measurement' equals 40 cubic feet.

Period	Government railways				Overseas cargo				Interstate cargo shipped	
	Goods and livestock		Pas-senger-journeys	Gross earnings	Shipped from Australian ports		Discharged at Australian ports			
	Tons carried	Net ton-miles			Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment
	'000	Million	Million	\$ million	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average										
1957-58	3,771	567.4	41.2	29.7	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	4,003	610.0	40.4	30.7	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	4,264	667.1	39.9	32.4	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	4,614	732.3	38.6	34.7	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	4,630	735.2	38.5	34.6	1,443	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	4,659	771.1	38.7	35.4	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
1963-64	5,145	875.0	39.2	38.7	1,645	155	1,731	329	1,303	101
1964-65	5,404	928.7	38.7	40.3	1,702	165	1,934	370	1,342	117
1965-66	5,362	917.6	38.3	39.6	1,812	170	2,013	343	1,348	124
1966-67	5,707	959.7	37.9	42.5	2,724	162	2,259	346	1,307	148
1967-68	5,930	1,022.9	37.7	43.9	3,445	175	2,297	390	1,424	156
Monthly total										
1965-66—										
June	5,507	925.8	37.3	40.7	1,843	181	1,890	303	1,392	125
1966-67—										
July	5,684	917.1	40.3	38.9	2,156	135	2,079	297	1,317	128
August	5,874	929.7	39.1	41.3	2,447	158	2,324	412	1,417	133
September	5,772	917.8	41.6	41.6	2,222	146	2,493	307	1,360	146
October	5,562	890.9	38.1	40.0	2,515	145	2,158	359	1,381	149
November	5,713	924.2	35.3	41.8	2,541	139	2,187	371	1,263	153
December	5,483	932.3	33.3	42.0	2,695	150	2,291	308	1,262	139
January	4,972	860.2	36.6	40.4	2,962	96	2,444	330	1,215	117
February	5,900	1,042.8	40.8	44.6	2,824	113	2,186	300	1,184	159
March	5,688	986.9	35.7	43.4	3,054	209	2,250	352	1,341	160
April	5,621	983.7	35.5	42.8	3,122	222	2,294	350	1,270	149
May	6,416	1,116.0	43.7	48.1	3,143	264	2,251	367	1,400	155
June	5,798	1,015.0	34.7	45.1	3,010	165	2,151	397	1,282	140
1967-68—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p
July	5,956	998.3	42.2	43.9	3,429	177	1,898	368	1,486	142
August	6,499	1,089.2	35.3	47.4	3,378	138	2,679	422	1,317	148
September	6,342	1,076.8	40.9	46.6	3,462	177	2,101	392	1,435	154
October	6,420	1,083.7	38.0	46.9	3,811	144	2,524	398	1,487	164
November	6,441	1,098.3	34.5	46.3	3,432	146	2,255	338	1,406	149
December	5,246	922.4	32.9	40.3	3,295	158	2,553	325	1,401	150
January	4,714	838.8	36.1	38.7	3,352	91	2,282	433	1,407	129
February	5,850	1,005.4	41.5	42.0	3,169	150	1,951	342	1,292	156
March	5,997	1,198.1	37.9	43.5	3,430	189	2,347	404	1,295	171
April	5,574	1,005.4	36.9	42.4	3,423	250	2,291	422	1,369	179
May	6,218	1,079.2	41.3	45.0	3,953	310	2,365	431	1,595	177
June	5,906	997.4	35.6	44.0	3,205	172	2,323	407	1,595	156
1968-69—										
July	6,702	1,100.0	39.1	47.1	4,033	183	2,547	491	1,545	160

COMMUNICATION

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S RECEIPTS, TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Receipts of P.M.G.'s Department (a)	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(b)				
		Effective applications during period(c)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences(d)			Licences in force at end of period	
					Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)
	\$ million (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000	'000
1958-59	17.2	13.4	13.8	(f) 1,443	21.0	24.8	..	2,264	578
1959-60	20.3	14.1	13.9	(f) 1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955
1960-61	22.7	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217
1961-62	23.3	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	(g) 24.0	..	2,220	1,424
1962-63	25.1	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655
1963-64	27.6	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882
1964-65	31.1	23.9	25.4	2,010	(b) 14.1	(b) 19.5	(b) 19.4	2,358	2,045
1965-66	33.5	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226
1966-67	35.9	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405
1967-68	40.6	30.0	29.9	2,359	6.0	4.7	18.2	2,580	2,519
1966-67—	(h)	(h)	(h)		(h)	(h)	(h)		
September	34.2	29.4	29.8	2,151	5.6	4.7	17.7	2,519	2,282
October	33.8	26.6	27.7	2,161	6.4	5.2	17.7	2,526	2,292
November	36.4	26.7	27.2	2,170	5.9	4.2	14.6	2,536	2,305
December	35.5	23.6	25.3	2,179	4.2	3.3	11.4	2,517	2,274
January	35.5	27.2	25.7	2,186	4.7	3.2	12.9	2,505	2,336
February	36.0	29.6	26.5	2,193	7.5	6.1	20.8	2,539	2,340
March	38.1	25.5	25.5	2,202	7.6	6.5	21.7	2,532	2,363
April	34.1	31.9	32.4	2,214	5.5	4.5	15.6	2,531	2,367
May	38.3	27.6	29.7	2,224	5.9	5.5	18.1	2,528	2,378
June	40.5	31.0	33.4	2,235	5.6	4.9	18.8	2,538	2,405
1967-68p—									
July	36.2	28.0	28.8	2,245	5.6	4.8	18.4	2,544	2,410
August	38.5	28.7	29.1	2,255	6.0	5.5	19.9	2,549	2,432
September	34.6	31.2	31.2	2,267	5.0	4.6	16.8	2,536	2,436
October	40.6	27.7	29.2	2,277	5.0	4.7	16.9	2,548	2,445
November	41.3	28.7	28.9	2,287	5.0	4.0	16.1	2,552	2,454
December	36.8	26.2	28.7	2,298	4.9	3.7	13.9	2,558	2,430
January	31.5	27.3	24.6	2,304	4.2	3.0	13.4	2,541	2,439
February	41.0	34.7	31.7	2,315	11.3	7.3	29.5	2,593	2,490
March	42.2	32.4	31.2	2,326	8.9	5.9	22.9	2,591	2,501
April	42.0	27.9	27.8	2,337	5.2	3.9	15.1	2,593	2,514
May	52.1	33.1	33.3	2,347	5.8	4.6	18.8	2,601	2,522
June	49.8	33.6	34.6	2,359	4.9	4.3	16.9	2,580	2,519
1968-69—									
July		31.5	31.2	2,371	5.4	4.8	19.1	2,605	2,559
August		37.0	35.8	2,385	6.4	5.2	21.4	2,603	2,565
September		33.0	33.9	2,398	6.6	7.3	19.3	2,610	2,568
October		31.8	31.4	2,411					

(a) Actual collections. (b) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type. (c) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period. (d) Includes new issues to persons whose previous licence had expired; these may increase significantly in certain months due to special licence inspection campaigns of the P.M.G.'s Department. (e) Monthly average. (f) Exchange lines only. (g) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included. (h) Monthly total.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible credits				Invisible debits				Balance on current account
				Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1962-63	530	516	14	64	19	18	29	115	89	32	23	-115
1963-64	682	559	123	74	24	26	34	130	98	37	28	-12
1964-65	644	685	-41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	35	-194
1965-66	657	706	-49	88	29	30	39	161	107	50	41	-222
1966-67	731	709	22	96	31	33	40	170	113	57	46	-164
1967-68	735	790	-55	112	32	39	40	193	129	61	49	-264
Quarterly total												
1965-66—												
December	659	726	-67	88	25	30	40	155	113	51	39	-242
March	636	657	-21	90	30	30	41	155	100	48	40	-173
June	695	638	57	88	30	32	39	177	106	58	44	-139
1966-67—												
September	692	700	-8	89	34	34	40	157	99	49	42	-158
December	704	666	38	89	27	32	38	164	126	58	43	-167
March	740	734	6	103	35	31	40	172	112	63	44	-176
June	790	737	53	101	26	37	43	188	114	60	54	-156
1967-68—												
September	712	782	-70	103	31	36	38	183	109	64	44	-262
December	760	729	31	110	26	38	34	188	149	65	50	-213
March	693	835	-142	119	34	45	47	197	121	56	53	-324
June	777	815	-38	114	37	35	43	204	138	57	51	-259
1968-69—												
September p	745	851	-106	112	33	41	40	196	142	58	49	-325

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private		Non- official monetary trans- actions	Balancing item (d)	Net apparent capital inflow	Official monetary movements			
	Securities	Other	Marketing authori- ties	Other(c)				Change in net I.M.F. position	Change in inter- national reserves	Other	Net official monetary move- ments
Quarterly average											
1962-63	21	-4	3	113	2	18	153	6	32	..	38
1963-64	5	-16	8	109	1	17	124	..	112	..	112
1964-65	-6	-6	-15	140	4	3	120	6	-80	..	-74
1965-66	-7	-10	8	162	3	61	237	10	5	..	15
1966-67	6	13	-19	110	3	47	134	6	-44	8	-30
1967-68	34	-15	8	179	11	67	284	18	2	..	20
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
December	20	40	-6	148	3	64	269	9	18	..	27
March	-34	6	34	144	2	36	188	..	15	..	15
June	-11	-28	14	240	5	49	269	9	121	..	130
1966-67—											
September	-69	-2	18	94	5	52	98	..	-89	29	-60
December	19	-32	-5	95	4	48	129	..	-38	..	-38
March	27	15	-46	101	3	23	123	19	-73	1	-53
June	45	-33	-41	166	2	48	187	7	23	1	31
1967-68—											
September	12	-55	31	140	6	70	204	-3	-55	..	-58
December	64	47	-7	155	12	12	283	8	(e) 62	..	70
March	7	-10	14	168	3	179	361	12	25	..	37
June	51	-42	-5	276	24	-16	288	54	-25	..	29
1968-69—											
September p	85	-35	13	(f)	5	198	266	2	-56	-5	-59

(a) For current account balances, minus sign (—) denotes deficit; for capital items other than official monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes outflow; for official monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes decrease in international reserves or net I.M.F. position or an increase in net liabilities of the Reserve Bank to foreign central banks. (b) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect both coverage and valuation. (c) Quarterly figures exclude details of Australian investment overseas which are not available by quarters and which are, therefore, included in the balancing item. (d) Quarterly totals include items for which details are not available; see notes (c) and (f). (e) Excludes reduction of \$113 million in the Australian dollar equivalent during November due to the devaluation of the pound sterling and a number of other currencies held as part of Australia's international reserves. (f) Not yet available; included in the balancing item.

Note. For more detailed information see the half-yearly mimeographed bulletin *Balance of Payments*.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, TURNOVER AND EXPENDITURE

Period	Gross national product at factor cost			Gross national product at market prices				plus imports of goods and services	National turnover of goods and services	less exports of goods and services	Gross national expenditure
	Farm	Non-farm	Total	Components			Total				
				Wages salaries and supplements	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises	Indirect taxes less subsidies					
ORIGINAL											
Quarterly average											
1963-64	538	3,509	4,047	2,198	1,849	458	4,505	716	5,222	790	4,431
1964-65	518	3,929	4,447	2,453	1,994	516	4,963	870	5,833	762	5,071
1965-66	460	4,193	4,653	2,645	2,008	560	5,213	907	6,120	784	5,336
1966-67	548	4,558	5,106	2,876	2,230	596	5,702	925	6,628	867	5,760
1967-68	432	4,968	5,400	3,116	2,284	655	6,056	1,033	7,088	888	6,201
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
March	452	3,953	4,405	2,543	1,862	544	4,949	852	5,801	767	5,034
June	198	4,204	4,402	2,682	1,720	599	5,001	859	5,860	822	5,038
1966-67—											
September	427	4,466	4,893	2,815	2,078	560	5,453	899	6,352	821	5,531
December	911	4,788	5,699	2,966	2,733	580	6,279	873	7,152	831	6,321
March	661	4,339	5,000	2,768	2,232	609	5,609	950	6,559	883	5,676
June	194	4,637	4,831	2,955	1,876	637	5,468	979	6,447	934	5,513
1967-68—											
September	365	4,844	5,209	3,026	2,183	603	5,812	1,009	6,821	853	5,968
December	875	5,240	6,115	3,229	2,886	636	6,751	967	7,718	904	6,814
March	335	4,722	5,057	3,005	2,052	669	5,726	1,085	6,811	859	5,952
June	155	5,066	5,221	3,206	2,015	711	5,932	1,070	7,002	934	6,068
1968-69—											
September	442	5,288	5,730	3,272	2,458	654	6,384	1,096	7,480	897	6,583
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
March	461	4,203	4,664	2,667	1,997	551	5,215	862	6,077	774	5,303
June	474	4,280	4,754	2,712	2,042	572	5,326	846	6,172	801	5,371
1966-67—											
September	461	4,389	4,850	2,793	2,057	579	5,429	880	6,309	856	5,453
December	556	4,510	5,066	2,845	2,221	581	5,647	894	6,541	810	5,731
March	538	4,602	5,140	2,890	2,250	617	5,757	959	6,716	896	5,820
June	533	4,718	5,251	2,985	2,266	608	5,859	968	6,827	906	5,921
1967-68—											
September	502	4,772	5,274	3,013	2,261	623	5,897	988	6,885	888	5,997
December	431	4,941	5,372	3,107	2,265	639	6,011	991	7,002	883	6,119
March	436	4,985	5,421	3,114	2,307	677	6,098	1,094	7,192	872	6,320
June	437	5,158	5,595	3,237	2,358	679	6,274	1,060	7,334	905	6,429
1968-69—											
September	490	5,224	5,714	3,264	2,450	675	6,389	1,072	7,461	933	6,528

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see the supplement to the December quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

COMPONENTS OF GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Period	Net current expenditure on goods and services			Gross fixed capital expenditure							Increase in the value of stocks	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national expenditure
	Personal consumption	Financial enterprises	Public authorities	Private				Public enterprises	Public authorities				
				Dwellings	Other new building and construction	All other	Total private						
ORIGINAL													
Quarterly average													
1963-64	2,768	58	444	188	144	390	722	212	180	..	..	4,431	
1964-65	2,985	64	510	222	158	464	844	248	202	..	..	5,071	
1965-66	3,156	71	596	222	189	505	916	276	220	..	..	5,336	
1966-67	3,374	79	672	240	184	499	923	292	234	..	..	5,760	
1967-68	3,654	86	753	269	220	508	996	327	246	..	..	6,201	
Quarterly total													
1965-66—													
March	3,019	69	544	212	162	470	844	259	190	14	95	5,034	
June	3,202	73	653	228	199	520	947	320	268	-258	-167	5,038	
1966-67—													
September	3,243	75	621	238	184	492	914	274	204	41	159	5,531	
December	3,562	79	677	239	191	540	970	280	245	412	96	6,321	
March	3,252	78	633	231	165	445	841	280	189	287	116	5,676	
June	3,441	84	759	254	196	518	968	337	297	-246	-127	5,513	
1967-68—													
September	3,512	86	683	264	219	464	947	305	213	71	151	5,968	
December	3,852	83	762	265	248	537	1,050	319	248	447	53	6,814	
March	3,532	85	745	264	188	461	913	288	210	57	122	5,952	
June	3,719	92	822	283	223	568	1,074	395	315	-243	-106	6,068	
1968-69—													
September	3,731	91	762	298	222	516	1,036	308	226	122	307	6,583	
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED													
Quarterly total													
1965-66—													
March	3,172	71	587	218	186	521	925	283	222	43		5,303	
June	3,223	73	600	226	195	489	910	279	217	69		5,371	
1966-67—													
September	3,276	74	650	232	180	512	924	291	234	4		5,453	
December	3,344	79	657	240	176	502	918	282	235	216		5,731	
March	3,411	80	680	238	190	494	922	305	222	200		5,820	
June	3,463	83	702	251	192	468	931	295	241	206		5,921	
1967-68—													
September	3,555	84	712	258	214	484	956	322	244	124		5,997	
December	3,626	83	740	266	228	498	992	322	237	119		6,119	
March	3,689	87	800	273	217	511	1,001	312	247	184		6,320	
June	3,742	91	763	279	218	537	1,034	348	256	195		6,429	
1968-69—													
September	3,776	89	793	291	217	539	1,047	324	258	241		6,528	

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see the supplement to the December quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the 'investing public' includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdraft, loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Companies listed on stock exchanges				Companies not listed on stock exchanges			Grand total
	Share capital	Debentures registered notes and deposits	Total		Share capital	Secured loans (a)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Quarterly average								
1962-63	26.2	57.5	83.7	..	11.4	3.3	14.7	98.4
1963-64	31.6	40.2	71.8	..	12.1	5.7	17.8	89.6
1964-65	36.7	42.2	78.9	..	12.9	6.3	19.2	98.1
1965-66	42.8	37.6	80.4	..	12.7	5.8	18.5	98.9
1966-67	28.0	50.2	78.2	..	10.1	9.1	19.2	97.4
1967-68	30.1	87.1	117.2					
Quarterly total								
1965-66—								
December	65.2	37.7	102.9	72.2	14.3	7.1	21.4	124.3
March	28.3	30.6	58.9	84.6	9.5	4.3	13.8	72.7
June	45.8	28.1	73.9	91.1	16.0	8.3	24.3	98.2
1966-67—								
September	19.9	95.7	115.6	103.8	8.2	9.0	17.2	132.8
December	46.9	37.2	84.1	53.0	10.9	12.3	23.2	107.3
March	12.8	55.2	68.0	93.6	8.0	7.5	15.5	83.5
June	32.4	12.5	44.9	62.1	13.3	7.6	20.9	65.8
1967-68—								
September	15.0	77.4	92.4	81.0	8.8	5.7	14.5	106.9
December	46.8	92.6	139.4	108.0	13.9	4.5	18.4	157.8
March	23.6	91.6	115.2	140.7	10.2	1.7	11.9	127.1
June	35.2	86.6	121.8	138.9				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

TOTAL NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY INDUSTRY GROUPS (a) (b) (\$ million)

Period	Manufacturing			Finance and property			Commerce			Other industries		
	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total
Quarterly average												
1962-63	17.1	3.5	20.6	41.2	4.2	45.4	14.3	2.6	16.9	11.1	3.8	14.9
1963-64	11.2	7.1	18.3	28.0	4.5	32.5	23.0	2.1	25.1	9.6	3.2	12.8
1964-65	26.5	8.0	34.5	33.2	3.3	36.5	6.9	2.6	9.5	12.3	4.5	16.8
1965-66	43.6	6.6	50.2	22.1	3.5	25.6	5.3	2.9	8.2	9.4	4.7	14.1
1966-67	32.3	6.1	38.4	24.9	3.4	28.3	7.8	2.3	10.1	13.2	6.6	19.8
1967-68	26.6			67.6			3.1			19.9		
Quarterly total												
1965-66—												
December	57.0	8.2	65.2	21.0	4.7	25.7	10.3	3.3	13.6	14.6	4.5	19.1
March	25.8	3.6	29.4	9.9	2.5	12.4	15.4	2.6	18.0	7.9	4.5	12.4
June	47.6	8.5	56.1	15.6	4.9	20.5	5.3	3.2	8.5	5.4	6.3	11.7
1966-67—												
September	70.1	6.4	76.5	34.5	3.1	37.6	5.9	1.5	7.4	5.1	5.6	10.7
December	32.7	3.4	36.1	12.9	5.4	18.3	19.9	2.2	22.1	18.6	11.5	30.1
March	17.3	6.3	23.6	36.2	1.8	38.0	7.3	2.5	9.8	7.3	4.3	11.6
June	9.0	8.4	17.4	16.0	3.5	19.5	1.7	3.0	4.7	21.5	5.0	26.5
1967-68—												
September	22.0	3.8	25.8	65.3	2.8	68.1	4.4	2.2	6.6	9.7	5.2	14.9
December	22.4	5.7	28.1	82.4	4.4	86.8	13.4	2.2	15.6	21.4	5.5	26.9
March	38.2	3.0	41.2	47.2	2.1	49.3	6.9	2.1	9.0	23.0	4.0	27.0
June	24.0			76.0			3.6			25.6		

(a) Small share issues of less than \$2,000 each, made by unlisted companies, are not included.
according to the predominant activity of the group.

(b) Holding companies are classified according to the predominant activity of the group.
(c) Excess of repayments over receipts of new money.

Series revised from March quarter 1967.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA
CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)
(\$ million)

Period	Notes on issue		Accounts of trading banks				Deposits of savings banks	Other liabilities (excluding capital and reserves)	Gold and foreign exchange	Australian Government securities redeemable in Australia		All other assets
	Held by public	Total	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Term Loan Fund	Farm Development Loan Fund (a)	Other deposits of trading banks				Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other	
Average of weekly figures												
1963-64	744.0	876.7	531.4	68.8	..	14.0	420.3	278.4	1,399.7	232.5	428.7	189.4
1964-65	745.4	887.1	701.6	48.8	..	13.6	434.4	284.2	1,490.7	193.0	534.4	216.9
1965-66	709.0	871.6	607.8	41.0	13.0	12.9	437.1	274.2	1,207.6	294.9	539.0	286.3
1966-67	752.5	908.8	476.1	42.6	41.7	8.9	455.5	277.9	1,173.8	313.8	439.9	358.5
1967-68	830.1	990.2	479.8	38.4	26.2	8.9	505.1	227.0	1,041.8	187.4	728.4	390.0
1966-67—												
October	734.0	883.3	472.7	34.9	45.9	6.7	423.2	258.5	1,210.2	315.8	445.8	228.3
November	743.8	892.9	481.0	31.0	44.3	7.0	429.2	267.9	1,205.1	464.1	359.4	199.5
December(b)	807.8	973.3	462.7	52.6	42.9	6.2	432.3	266.4	1,184.4	592.4	335.3	199.0
January	766.2	930.0	470.8	55.3	41.5	9.1	473.7	278.8	1,166.8	515.5	349.7	302.0
February	752.3	910.0	478.3	49.8	40.0	10.7	480.0	294.4	1,147.3	407.0	321.0	462.6
March	773.7	927.7	487.7	45.9	38.5	9.9	483.3	300.2	1,120.9	400.3	301.8	544.9
April	767.0	927.3	491.4	44.7	36.4	10.5	485.3	280.1	1,096.7	288.3	411.5	554.2
May	771.2	937.5	481.9	42.9	34.5	9.4	490.7	289.2	1,093.9	218.2	524.6	524.1
June	778.4	945.0	475.2	39.2	32.5	9.2	492.8	289.7	1,114.6	126.3	613.9	503.6
1967-68—												
July	780.8	941.8	470.7	35.1	30.3	8.5	491.7	288.5	1,068.6	93.2	728.2	451.5
August	797.5	954.5	469.2	31.7	27.8	8.8	498.7	278.1	1,055.2	148.6	719.8	421.5
September	806.9	966.1	471.8	30.7	25.0	9.0	519.6	284.7	1,066.7	254.9	688.4	375.3
October	808.9	971.1	475.6	29.7	22.8	8.4	528.1	295.4	1,092.6	301.0	686.0	329.7
November	815.7	974.5	484.1	28.6	20.9	8.6	532.1	271.0	1,084.2	329.5	699.8	280.8
December(b)	882.0	1,058.1	494.6	28.3	19.1	8.9	519.9	193.3	1,040.1	361.9	668.5	320.6
January	842.2	1,015.9	507.9	24.4	17.1	9.6	509.7	187.8	1,010.4	219.1	680.6	431.2
February	824.3	987.1	502.4	39.9	15.1	8.8	504.3	168.8	1,006.3	128.9	694.6	465.3
March	831.7	992.6	589.9	54.9	13.5	9.5	496.2	191.5	991.9	162.4	712.9	449.7
April	869.6	1,025.3	473.3	53.9	29.4	9.2	484.3	199.0	1,019.9	148.3	755.8	419.2
May	843.4	1,005.7	463.1	54.0	44.4	8.5	483.0	173.1	1,037.0	64.0	824.7	375.0
June	849.7	1,009.1	457.8	50.3	45.3	8.6	496.6	184.0	1,023.7	74.7	866.0	356.0
1968-69—												
July	853.8	1,010.1	456.9	47.4	43.3	8.3	521.3	170.9	997.5	113.9	906.2	309.5
August	871.8	1,030.5	456.2	47.4	41.2	8.3	545.3	171.8	1,011.3	186.4	889.7	277.9
September	879.5	1,037.3	455.0	47.3	39.7	9.0	560.5	186.6	993.1	308.8	825.3	268.3
October	882.2	1,043.1	471.1	48.0	37.9	8.1	567.6	188.5	1,014.4	382.9	763.4	263.7
November	..	1,051.8	513.4	45.2	36.1	8.3	584.8	206.1	1,041.5	520.8	702.6	240.9

(a) Farm Development Loan Fund was established in April 1966.

(b) Excludes fourth Wednesday.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA^(a)

RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES

Period	\$ million	Period	\$ million
Average of weekly figures		Average of weekly figures	
1958-59	93.5	1966-67—	
1959-60	125.2	June	372.1
1960-61	144.7		
1961-62	137.0	1967-68—	
1962-63	133.4	July	342.6
1963-64	143.7	August	323.7
1964-65	161.0	September	275.1
1965-66	195.8	October	233.5
1966-67	245.9	November	186.8
1967-68	283.0	December(b)	211.2
		January	328.0
1966-67—		February	357.2
September	124.6	March	332.0
October	112.1	April	301.5
November	96.9	May	264.1
December(b)	93.5	June	229.8
January	190.2		
February	350.8	1968-69—	
March	430.2	July	214.0
April	424.0	August	183.7
May	407.2	September	160.2
		October	159.2
		November	150.6

(a) Prior to January 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA^(a)

ADVANCES

(\$ million)

Period	Hire purchase	Other	Period	Hire purchase	Other
Average of weekly figures			Average of weekly figures		
1958-59	34.7	30.2	1966-67—		
1959-60	35.7	31.9	June	52.7	148.0
1960-61	37.9	35.1			
1961-62	39.9	48.7	1967-68—		
1962-63	41.5	61.7	July	53.1	149.3
1963-64	43.6	71.6	August	53.0	151.4
1964-65	49.1	87.0	September	52.8	153.6
1965-66	52.4	106.8	October	53.4	155.4
1966-67	53.6	134.5	November	55.5	157.3
1967-68	54.2	159.6	December(b)	56.5	161.1
			January	55.9	161.4
1966-67—			February	54.0	162.0
September	53.1	126.2	March	53.1	163.0
October	53.5	128.8	April	53.7	164.4
November	55.7	131.8	May	54.5	166.4
December(b)	57.2	135.6	June	55.4	170.8
January	56.4	136.7			
February	54.5	137.4	1968-69—		
March	51.8	139.5	July	56.5	172.8
April	51.8	141.6	August	56.9	174.6
May	52.3	144.2	September	57.3	176.1
			October	58.4	177.8
			November	61.0	180.0

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes, and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted(c)				
	Fixed	Current	Total			Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			Temporary advances to wool-buyers (d)	Term loans (e)	Other (f)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Average of weekly figures														
1962-63	1,194	2,614	3,808	..	158.8	68.6	748.7	64.0	423.6	83.7	24.2	2,013	2,121	..
1963-64	1,338	2,847	4,185	..	137.1	109.6	866.2	64.4	530.3	108.7	84.4	2,020	2,213	..
1964-65	1,679	2,995	4,674	..	144.6	114.1	932.3	74.6	700.6	109.3	152.4	2,169	2,430	..
1965-66	1,943	2,984	4,927	..	160.8	87.7	987.4	70.6	606.8	114.3	190.9	2,404	2,709	..
1966-67	2,087	3,157	5,244	..	152.4	85.4	1,169.4	82.3	475.1	121.1	233.9	2,616	2,971	..
1967-68	2,275	3,328	5,603	..	153.5	84.5	1,190.9	75.3	478.6	109.4	275.8	2,965	3,350	..
1966-67—														
October	2,033	3,092	5,125	5,200	145.7	74.6	1,132.0	84.1	471.7	124.0	222.5	2,569	2,915	2,885
November	2,058	3,160	5,218	5,213	146.5	66.7	1,190.9	78.7	480.0	144.3	226.6	2,560	2,931	2,920
December g	2,070	3,228	5,298	5,221	167.3	72.8	1,202.1	75.3	461.6	154.4	229.3	2,569	2,952	2,974
January	2,114	3,269	5,383	5,262	162.1	160.4	1,287.0	89.1	469.7	118.4	238.2	2,577	2,934	2,998
February	2,143	3,346	5,489	5,300	153.0	190.4	1,342.6	81.9	477.2	123.7	242.0	2,546	2,912	3,024
March	2,149	3,367	5,516	5,324	151.0	174.2	1,334.8	83.5	486.6	138.9	244.5	2,579	2,962	3,040
April	2,136	3,236	5,373	5,301	155.3	78.0	1,203.8	86.0	490.3	121.1	247.0	2,718	3,086	3,070
May	2,138	3,172	5,310	5,352	160.0	34.9	1,121.5	79.5	480.7	116.8	251.6	2,768	3,137	3,098
June	2,129	3,136	5,265	5,357	160.0	24.1	1,065.8	73.5	474.0	113.7	255.9	2,811	3,181	3,124
1967-68—														
July	2,150	3,109	5,258	5,421	151.7	22.8	1,063.1	86.9	469.6	107.8	259.6	2,877	3,244	3,157
August	2,170	3,128	5,298	5,456	150.2	23.4	1,092.8	79.9	468.1	75.6	264.2	2,889	3,229	3,190
September	2,200	3,142	5,342	5,484	150.4	40.8	1,143.3	76.2	470.7	86.2	266.4	2,876	3,229	3,224
October	2,235	3,212	5,447	5,526	153.1	46.8	1,173.0	72.9	474.5	102.8	269.2	2,939	3,311	3,277
November	2,283	3,309	5,592	5,589	149.4	63.2	1,215.5	88.6	482.9	115.9	269.1	2,927	3,312	3,302
December g	2,310	3,407	5,717	5,633	173.8	75.2	1,270.5	78.4	493.4	118.6	274.9	2,913	3,307	3,332
January	2,327	3,492	5,819	5,689	167.0	193.4	1,320.5	96.1	506.6	101.5	276.2	2,889	3,267	3,337
February	2,333	3,483	5,816	5,613	152.7	224.1	1,339.0	59.0	501.1	120.2	278.5	2,889	3,288	3,413
March	2,340	3,492	5,831	5,627	150.1	186.7	1,299.2	63.7	488.6	126.7	280.7	2,947	3,354	3,441
April	2,319	3,441	5,759	5,686	147.1	88.9	1,208.5	61.0	472.0	131.6	285.2	3,087	3,504	3,483
May	2,331	3,358	5,689	5,734	150.4	28.8	1,117.4	61.2	461.9	119.2	289.9	3,150	3,559	3,513
June	2,302	3,396	5,698	5,796	150.4	25.1	1,071.8	74.0	456.5	115.2	296.7	3,186	3,597	3,534
1968-69—														
July	2,335	3,348	5,683	5,858	146.6	38.6	1,055.5	67.9	455.7	96.8	301.6	3,264	3,662	3,563
August	2,365	3,303	5,668	5,837	147.6	34.6	1,067.5	79.6	454.9	67.2	305.3	3,303	3,676	3,632
September	2,386	3,359	5,745	5,898	148.4	56.7	1,118.3	90.7	453.7	82.9	306.4	3,275	3,665	3,661
October	2,423	3,464	5,887	5,971	148.9	66.7	1,154.3	82.7	469.8	115.3	313.4	3,288	3,717	3,680
November	2,486	3,493	5,979	5,973	148.1	80.8	1,176.6	100.3	512.1	141.4	323.6	3,240	3,705	3,694

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd, The Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd, The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd, The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. (d) These advances represent temporary finance for the purchase of wool in Australia pending transfer to overseas or local principals. (e) Loans made from Term Loan Fund Account. (f) Includes from June 1966, loans made from Farm Development Loan Fund Account. (g) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(Per cent)

Period	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government Securities				Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans advances and bills discounted (c)	Deposits not bearing interest
	Cash and cash at Reserve Bank	Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other Commonwealth and State Government Securities	Total			
Average of weekly figures							
1962-63	3.6	1.8	19.7	25.1	11.1	55.7	62.7
1963-64	3.3	2.6	20.7	26.6	12.7	52.9	61.9
1964-65	3.1	2.4	20.0	25.5	15.0	52.0	58.0
1965-66	3.3	1.8	20.0	25.1	12.3	55.0	54.2
1966-67	2.9	1.6	22.3	26.8	9.1	56.7	54.0
1967-68	2.7	1.5	21.3	25.5	8.5	59.8	53.2
1966-67—							
October	2.8	1.5	22.1	26.4	9.2	56.9	53.8
November	2.8	1.3	22.8	26.9	9.2	56.2	54.3
December(d)	3.2	1.4	22.7	27.2	8.7	55.7	54.7
January	3.0	3.0	23.9	29.9	8.7	54.5	54.6
February	2.8	3.5	24.5	30.7	8.7	53.0	54.8
March	2.7	3.2	24.2	30.1	8.8	53.7	54.9
April	2.9	1.5	22.4	26.7	9.1	57.4	54.2
May	3.0	0.7	21.1	24.8	9.1	59.1	53.7
June	3.0	0.5	20.2	23.7	9.0	60.4	53.5
1967-68—							
July	2.9	0.4	20.2	23.5	8.9	61.7	52.7
August	2.8	0.4	20.6	23.9	8.8	60.9	52.6
September	2.8	0.8	21.4	25.0	8.8	60.4	52.6
October	2.8	0.9	21.5	25.2	8.7	60.8	52.8
November	2.7	1.1	21.7	25.5	8.6	59.2	52.9
December(d)	3.0	1.3	22.2	26.6	8.6	57.8	53.9
January	2.9	3.3	22.7	28.9	8.7	56.1	54.2
February	2.6	3.9	23.0	29.5	8.6	56.5	53.9
March	2.6	3.2	22.3	28.1	8.4	57.5	53.8
April	2.6	1.5	21.0	25.1	8.2	60.8	53.4
May	2.6	0.5	19.6	22.8	8.1	62.6	52.7
June	2.6	0.4	18.8	21.9	8.0	63.1	53.0
1968-69—							
July	2.6	0.7	18.5	21.8	8.0	64.5	52.4
August	2.6	0.6	18.8	22.0	8.0	64.8	51.7
September	2.6	1.0	19.5	23.0	7.9	63.8	51.8
October	2.5	1.1	19.6	23.3	8.0	63.1	52.3
November	2.5	1.4	19.7	23.5	8.6	62.0	52.0

(a) See footnote (a) page 59. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. (d) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

New and increased lending commitments(b)				Overdraft limits(c)		
Weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of—	Aggregate	Term Loan component	Farm Development Loan Fund component	At second Wednesday of—		Total outstanding
1962-63(d)	22.2	1.8	..	July—		
1963-64(d)	22.5	1.7	..	1963		3,642.7
1964-65(d)	21.7	1.4	..	1964		3,801.0
1965-66(d)	22.8	1.3	0.1	1965		3,932.2
1966-67(d)	31.4	2.5	0.5	1966		4,098.4
1967-68(d)	33.2	2.1	0.5	1967		4,512.9
				1968		4,982.3
1966-67—						
October	27.4	2.0	0.6	1966-67—		
November	29.0	1.5	0.4	October		4,181.7
December	30.5	1.8	0.4	November		4,223.0
January	25.7	2.2	0.4	December		4,268.6
February	28.4	2.0	0.5	January		4,260.0
March	42.6	3.3	0.6	February		4,262.7
April	35.2	2.0	0.5	March		4,335.8
May	35.9	3.2	0.7	April		4,403.0
June	31.1	2.7	0.8	May		4,458.9
				June		4,506.0
1967-68—						
July	36.9	5.9	0.6	1967-68—		
August	32.6	2.0	0.6	July		4,512.9
September	30.7	1.7	0.5	August		4,550.5
October	28.4	1.5	0.5	September		4,584.1
November	33.5	1.7	0.6	October		4,608.0
December	34.5	1.6	0.6	November		4,638.2
January	29.7	1.7	0.4	December		4,693.5
February	29.7	2.3	0.4	January		4,725.9
March	34.8	2.6	0.4	February		4,741.9
April	38.5	2.0	0.5	March		4,789.0
May	35.9	2.1	0.4	April		4,854.8
June	34.9	2.9	0.5	May		4,892.4
				June		4,939.8
1968-69—						
July	35.5	2.6	0.6	1968-69—		
August	41.1	8.3	0.5	July		4,983.9
September	30.7	2.0	0.6	August		5,033.2
October	35.6	4.6	0.5	September		5,050.1
November	31.9	2.0	0.6	October		5,072.1
				November		5,101.7

(a) See footnote (a) page 59. (b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at second Wednesday of each month. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be estimated from this series (after deducting term loan and farm development loan components and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, such estimates should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series. (c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers, term loans and farm development loans. (d) Year ended second Wednesday of July.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to author- ised dealers in the short- term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted
	Fixed	Current		Total		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest							
Average of weekly figures										
1962-63	1,255.5	266.6	2,490.0	4,012.2	149.6	72.1	793.7	68.4	424.5	2,365.3
1963-64	1,422.7	301.1	2,706.2	4,430.0	143.6	114.5	929.7	73.9	531.4	2,487.9
1964-65	1,784.7	328.6	2,838.7	4,951.9	151.7	121.0	1,017.7	85.1	701.6	2,732.0
1965-66	2,073.0	361.0	2,797.8	5,231.7	170.7	89.1	1,080.7	83.8	607.8	3,040.0
1966-67	2,226.9	381.1	2,970.0	5,578.0	161.7	89.3	1,284.4	98.5	476.1	3,319.2
1967-68	2,442.5	409.3	3,126.8	5,978.6	164.4	92.8	1,309.5	90.6	479.8	3,751.1
1966-67—										
October	2,169.4	385.3	2,892.1	5,446.7	152.7	77.5	1,240.7	99.0	472.7	3,261.4
November	2,196.4	380.3	2,967.3	5,544.0	153.5	68.5	1,303.2	92.1	481.0	3,278.4
December(c)	2,208.6	380.3	3,039.9	5,628.8	174.9	73.7	1,315.1	87.4	462.7	3,303.7
January	2,253.9	381.5	3,080.9	5,716.2	171.4	173.0	1,399.7	103.9	470.8	3,274.9
February	2,283.9	389.3	3,161.5	5,834.7	164.6	205.6	1,466.5	95.1	478.3	3,253.0
March	2,292.7	392.8	3,182.3	5,867.9	161.3	182.1	1,464.4	101.3	487.7	3,307.7
April	2,282.7	381.4	3,064.2	5,728.2	165.7	79.6	1,337.4	104.2	491.4	3,440.3
May	2,283.3	380.9	2,995.2	5,659.4	170.6	35.8	1,251.5	94.8	481.9	3,495.8
June	2,274.8	378.9	2,960.0	5,613.7	172.3	24.6	1,187.0	88.8	475.2	3,547.8
1967-68—										
July	2,301.8	391.2	2,911.8	5,604.8	162.2	23.9	1,181.9	99.1	470.7	3,619.2
August	2,330.4	401.7	2,923.3	5,655.5	160.6	24.2	1,209.0	96.1	469.2	3,609.3
September	2,363.8	391.2	2,950.7	5,705.7	160.8	41.9	1,260.4	92.4	471.8	3,617.5
October	2,402.1	397.9	3,015.7	5,815.7	163.8	48.4	1,293.8	89.2	475.6	3,705.3
November	2,453.1	408.9	3,106.5	5,968.6	160.0	67.2	1,335.7	105.2	484.1	3,713.9
December(c)	2,480.9	382.8	3,236.7	6,100.5	184.9	82.5	1,388.8	92.3	494.6	3,712.6
January	2,498.5	398.6	3,309.5	6,206.6	179.2	217.4	1,438.5	111.1	507.9	3,663.2
February	2,502.1	409.4	3,289.2	6,200.7	163.7	248.2	1,457.0	70.9	502.4	3,687.5
March	2,509.7	419.6	3,284.7	6,214.1	161.0	206.3	1,417.8	75.8	489.9	3,760.2
April	2,493.5	424.8	3,223.7	6,142.0	157.7	98.3	1,327.4	73.5	473.3	3,919.2
May	2,506.3	429.8	3,139.0	6,075.1	161.4	32.9	1,238.0	76.3	463.1	3,982.0
June	2,472.9	448.6	3,165.5	6,086.9	161.4	27.5	1,189.3	87.7	457.8	4,022.2
1968-69—										
July	2,513.9	440.8	3,120.9	6,075.6	157.3	39.6	1,171.0	90.2	456.9	4,091.5
August	2,545.8	439.0	3,073.8	6,058.6	158.3	35.7	1,182.9	98.5	456.2	4,099.8
September	2,564.7	453.1	3,120.9	6,138.7	159.2	58.0	1,233.0	109.6	455.0	4,093.6
October	2,604.4	456.8	3,230.5	6,291.6	160.2	68.3	1,273.0	105.4	471.1	4,146.8
November	2,674.5	456.8	3,261.6	6,392.7	160.1	83.7	1,304.3	120.9	513.4	4,138.2

(a) Covers the Major Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd, Banque Nationale de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a)

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS

(Excluding debits to Australian Government Account at city branches in State capitals)

(£ million)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
Average of weekly figures									
1958-59	497.8	449.5	140.5	92.4	61.5	27.7	1.6	4.0	1,274.8
1959-60	592.6	529.1	158.3	106.8	69.7	31.0	1.9	5.4	1,494.7
1960-61	644.9	565.9	163.8	116.0	75.7	32.5	2.0	6.7	1,607.5
1961-62	654.0	590.0	164.4	116.2	80.4	32.1	2.2	7.9	1,647.1
1962-63	713.1	650.5	185.1	131.6	88.2	35.1	2.5	10.2	1,816.4
1963-64	824.8	733.2	213.2	155.1	96.4	37.1	2.8	11.5	2,073.9
1964-65	935.2	825.3	232.9	170.4	106.3	41.3	3.4	14.5	2,329.3
1965-66	949.0	847.7	232.5	172.8	122.4	43.2	3.8	15.3	2,386.7
1966-67	1,080.2	940.0	256.9	184.4	138.6	47.3	4.5	17.0	2,668.9
1967-68	1,257.9	1,041.8	289.2	201.7	169.1	51.3	5.8	21.2	3,038.0
1966-67—									
October	1,052.7	985.3	262.6	190.0	135.8	45.2	4.4	18.6	2,694.7
November	1,120.5	963.7	264.0	189.8	135.4	45.7	5.1	17.6	2,741.7
December	1,109.3	984.0	269.9	177.1	146.1	51.9	4.3	17.5	2,760.1
January	1,045.9	881.2	250.8	179.9	154.5	42.5	4.5	13.0	2,572.2
February	1,104.9	927.8	249.4	195.8	143.0	46.4	4.0	14.3	2,685.5
March	1,028.4	862.5	237.0	178.8	138.3	48.5	4.2	16.5	2,514.2
April	1,164.8	1,007.0	275.7	196.8	149.9	52.9	4.5	20.1	2,871.7
May	1,170.1	994.5	258.2	196.6	150.4	53.2	4.9	19.9	2,847.8
June	1,140.9	1,002.6	266.0	183.9	141.7	49.1	5.2	20.0	2,809.5
1967-68—									
July	1,269.6	1,055.2	292.1	197.6	154.0	54.3	5.6	18.5	3,046.9
August	1,083.0	943.8	280.0	182.7	145.5	47.9	5.5	17.4	2,685.9
September	1,145.3	967.4	282.1	181.9	140.1	46.6	5.6	17.3	2,786.5
October	1,143.9	998.2	288.1	198.8	160.7	50.9	5.8	19.6	2,866.0
November	1,237.5	1,027.4	302.2	204.8	169.0	49.1	6.7	18.9	3,015.6
December	1,296.4	1,113.2	307.7	211.3	176.6	55.1	5.9	22.7	3,188.9
January	1,116.4	923.9	253.6	178.3	164.8	44.5	5.6	14.9	2,702.0
February	1,338.2	1,040.9	289.8	214.0	190.7	50.0	5.3	19.0	3,148.0
March	1,355.7	1,083.2	292.9	211.1	181.1	54.8	5.3	22.0	3,206.2
April	1,353.5	1,123.8	309.5	223.7	178.7	54.8	5.4	26.3	3,275.6
May	1,373.3	1,098.9	296.3	208.2	184.8	53.4	6.2	28.8	3,250.0
June	1,437.0	1,169.4	306.9	216.7	185.8	56.7	6.7	30.1	3,409.3
1968-69—									
July	1,530.6	1,226.0	337.3	219.9	190.7	59.3	7.3	29.3	3,600.5
August	1,329.5	1,094.9	283.8	201.1	177.0	49.0	6.6	28.1	3,169.9
September	1,423.7	1,170.5	315.1	210.3	177.9	50.2	6.6	28.2	3,382.5
October	1,448.4	1,162.1	324.0	212.7	202.7	52.1	6.8	30.1	3,438.9
November	1,523.3	1,234.2	324.8	229.9	204.8	54.9	7.0	32.8	3,611.6

(a) Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 62 the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and Commonwealth Development Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSITS

(\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
June 1959	976.5	916.9	333.3	314.3	143.0	84.9	4.5	9.2	(a)2,782.7	2,778.9
" 1960	1,083.1	999.2	365.2	332.0	157.2	92.7	5.2	10.8	(a)3,045.4	3,047.0
" 1961	1,138.3	1,034.9	374.2	333.5	161.4	94.8	5.5	12.3	(a)3,154.9	3,156.6
" 1962	1,250.0	1,141.7	411.7	362.0	181.0	102.5	6.2	14.7	(a)3,469.8	3,467.0
" 1963	1,408.0	1,298.1	470.4	416.1	208.8	112.8	7.0	18.5	(a)3,939.7	3,942.4
" 1964	1,583.2	1,479.0	542.3	475.8	239.8	124.8	8.1	23.3	(a)4,476.2	4,471.3
" 1965	1,719.6	1,620.4	593.0	519.3	261.7	135.7	9.2	27.6	(a)4,886.6	4,880.2
" 1966	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,253.4
" 1967	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
" 1968	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,221.5
1966-67—										
October	1,877.8	1,822.1	665.7	573.4	309.3	154.3	11.7	34.2	5,448.5	5,392.1
November	1,884.5	1,833.8	668.3	575.1	310.5	155.0	11.9	35.3	5,474.4	5,433.3
December	1,880.4	1,835.2	667.5	576.7	309.9	155.1	11.6	35.1	5,471.4	5,460.9
January	1,895.0	1,852.1	668.5	580.3	312.6	156.3	11.4	35.5	5,511.7	5,505.8
February	1,904.6	1,861.2	670.4	585.3	315.5	160.1	11.4	36.1	5,544.4	5,548.7
March	1,903.0	1,863.6	669.7	587.3	318.2	161.7	11.5	36.2	5,551.3	5,592.6
April	1,910.5	1,860.6	670.8	588.9	319.1	162.3	11.8	36.2	5,558.2	5,642.3
May	1,937.6	1,879.9	681.6	587.6	322.6	164.3	12.1	37.1	(a)5,622.7	5,709.2
June	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
1967-68—										
July	1,999.4	1,948.2	707.8	610.4	333.9	169.2	12.9	39.0	5,820.7	5,804.8
August	2,022.2	1,969.9	716.7	615.2	341.0	171.8	13.6	39.9	5,890.2	5,852.8
September	2,039.7	1,992.4	725.6	619.3	347.5	173.3	14.0	40.3	5,952.2	5,903.0
October	2,054.4	2,012.7	730.1	624.5	350.5	173.9	14.2	40.9	6,001.2	5,948.8
November	2,061.0	2,024.3	734.2	628.2	352.9	174.2	14.2	41.6	6,030.5	5,984.1
December	2,052.5	2,024.6	734.1	628.5	353.6	173.5	14.0	40.7	6,021.4	6,002.5
January	2,062.7	2,035.6	731.8	629.6	355.7	174.1	13.9	42.7	6,046.1	6,049.1
February	2,071.4	2,042.4	735.0	632.3	359.3	175.1	13.7	41.9	6,071.1	6,074.6
March	2,068.6	2,039.2	733.7	632.2	361.7	175.5	13.6	43.1	6,067.6	6,104.1
April	2,066.4	2,026.2	730.7	626.9	362.2	175.1	13.7	42.2	6,043.4	6,141.7
May	2,090.7	2,052.3	740.0	629.0	366.8	176.2	13.9	42.9	(a)6,111.9	6,198.7
June	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,221.5
1968-69—										
July	2,143.7	2,104.9	766.6	646.8	378.2	179.8	15.2	44.8	6,280.0	6,261.2
August	2,162.3	2,129.8	775.5	651.1	386.1	182.9	15.9	45.4	6,349.1	6,298.7
September	2,174.4	2,140.0	781.9	651.0	392.1	183.5	16.3	46.0	6,385.1	6,340.7
October	2,194.8	2,159.3	787.5	655.1	398.6	183.9	16.8	46.4	6,442.4	6,384.9
November	2,203.3	2,182.7	791.7	659.0	400.0	184.7	16.8	46.7	6,484.8	6,427.0

(a) Interest added 1958-59, \$70.7m; 1959-60 \$80.3m; 1960-61, \$89.4m; 1961-62, \$105.4m; 1962-63, \$116.7m; 1963-64, \$114.8m; 1964-65, \$139.8m; 1965-66, \$159.5m; 1966-67, \$173.0m; 1967-68, \$189.9m. The major part of this interest was added in May and June.

SAVINGS BANKS

SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(\$ million)

At end of—	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Common- wealth Government securities(b)	Local and semi- govern- mental securities	Loans to authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted	
							Housing	Other
June 1959	6 5	249.1	102.3	1,480.3	497.9	(c)	522.0	
" 1960	5.8	272.2	104.1	1,587.7	568.9	3.4	544.0	59.4
" 1961	8.7	277.1	89.1	1,578.7	622.8	15.3	612.5	66.7
" 1962	9.9	319.0	111.8	1,665.1	703.9	27.6	678.7	71.4
" 1963	9.5	366.2	119.0	1,827.2	835.5	39.0	793.9	80.7
" 1964	10.1	430.2	123.1	1,994.3	955.6	34.2	997.8	96.0
" 1965	10.8	430.3	117.5	2,066.1	1,092.3	28.8	1,185.2	131.7
" 1966	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
" 1967	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
" 1968	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1966-67—								
October	12.4	424.5	131.7	2,235.6	1,248.9	30.6	1,409.3	196.7
November	12.4	435.1	118.2	2,233.7	1,264.6	36.5	1,423.2	203.8
December	14.8	459.2	130.1	2,194.0	1,276.6	21.7	1,444.3	209.2
January	13.0	478.1	136.8	2,176.7	1,285.7	34.1	1,448.2	211.9
February	13.1	482.1	137.7	2,189.9	1,299.6	34.9	1,457.8	214.9
March	13.4	490.5	149.9	2,200.5	1,305.8	32.6	1,476.7	216.8
April	13.1	485.8	133.4	2,191.4	1,312.8	40.0	1,488.2	218.3
May	14.4	489.8	141.8	2,186.2	1,321.1	41.0	1,504.0	223.0
June	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
1967-68—								
July	13.8	491.0	137.1	2,212.3	1,347.0	48.9	1,559.3	225.4
August	11.8	506.9	137.2	2,230.1	1,369.6	59.1	1,573.6	227.4
September	13.3	523.8	141.8	2,262.7	1,382.0	48.9	1,589.5	232.1
October	13.5	530.0	134.8	2,283.3	1,402.0	56.2	1,602.1	237.3
November	13.7	528.7	136.7	2,292.9	1,428.0	52.3	1,616.5	242.3
December	15.9	513.3	120.3	2,304.9	1,439.0	31.8	1,637.3	246.8
January	14.1	507.8	138.3	2,316.1	1,449.6	26.8	1,643.4	248.4
February	13.7	498.6	143.2	2,327.9	1,461.1	31.5	1,657.5	250.3
March	13.9	491.7	135.1	2,335.7	1,470.2	31.1	1,675.1	254.0
April	14.7	475.9	149.1	2,316.5	1,476.7	15.4	1,690.1	256.6
May	13.9	498.2	143.2	2,297.1	1,479.9	27.2	1,705.4	262.0
June	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1968-69—								
July	13.5	536.4	160.2	2,236.6	1,501.4	28.4	1,767.4	269.0
August	13.6	555.1	167.3	2,249.9	1,516.6	41.6	1,779.4	273.0
September	14.7	558.4	175.8	2,264.7	1,530.0	29.0	1,795.1	277.9
October	12.8	578.9	176.3	2,276.8	1,548.8	32.2	1,813.3	280.8
November	14.9	594.1	171.1	2,286.5	1,570.7	32.6	1,826.2	287.7

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island. (b) Includes Treasury bills and Treasury notes. (c) Not available.
Short-term money market established in February 1959.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The following series of statistics cover the main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, including instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans (comprising personal loans, mortgage loans and advances), factoring and leasing. Information on the scope of these statistics and the definition of items are included in the bulletin *Finance Companies, July 1964 to September 1967*, which in addition contains more detailed statistics. Supplementary classifications are also provided for the instalment credit for retail sales transactions of finance companies. Amount financed is classified by type of commodity and collections and other liquidations is divided between cash collections and other liquidations.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Instalment credit for retail sales	Wholesale hire purchase	Other consumer and commercial loans				Factoring	Total
			Personal loans	Mortgage loans	Commercial loans			
					Repayable at call or within 90 days	Other		
Monthly average								
1964-65	53.9	40.2	5.3	18.5	21.9	12.8	7.3	159.9
1965-66	51.0	40.0	5.9	18.4	24.0	12.5	6.7	158.5
1966-67	57.5	54.4	7.9	22.9	27.1	11.0	5.2	185.9
1967-68	67.7	66.0	9.7	28.0	31.6	10.8	5.6	219.6
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
September	63.8	60.9	10.1	26.5	39.0	9.7	5.5	215.4
October	72.6	67.4	10.0	28.0	21.1	10.3	6.1	215.5
November	75.0	71.4	10.4	27.6	41.1	9.1	6.3	240.9
December	70.2	62.9	10.2	32.7	29.5	10.9	6.3	222.8
January	62.5	44.2	7.6	22.0	33.6	7.9	3.9	181.7
February	64.1	65.0	8.8	24.9	20.9	10.1	6.1	199.8
March	66.7	74.7	9.6	29.9	28.0	17.9	6.0	232.7
April	68.3	69.1	9.1	30.3	23.2	12.5	5.5	217.9
May	77.0	83.8	11.0	33.8	44.3	13.3	6.0	269.2
June	65.7	70.6	10.3	30.3	31.5	11.2	5.5	225.1
1968-69—								
July	72.6	73.4	10.9	32.6	45.7	18.7	5.4	259.3
August	68.9	66.6	9.5	29.4	41.3	14.4	5.4	235.5
September	68.7	65.5	9.2	30.2	38.9	13.6	5.3	231.2
October	87.8	77.4	10.1	37.0	47.6	17.0	6.0	282.8

COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Monthly average									
1964-65	60.8	22.5	83.3	40.5	21.3	17.5	8.5	87.8	171.2
1965-66	64.8	24.1	88.9	39.7	22.7	18.0	7.8	88.1	177.1
1966-67	70.9	26.0	96.9	53.5	28.5	19.3	5.9	107.2	204.1
1967-68	75.4	28.6	104.0	64.5	30.2	21.3	6.2	122.2	226.2
Monthly total									
1967-68—									
September	69.7	26.6	96.2	60.9	29.8	20.0	5.6	116.3	212.5
October	75.8	30.1	105.9	65.4	38.5	19.8	6.5	130.2	236.1
November	74.9	32.3	107.1	67.3	21.7	22.5	6.4	117.9	225.0
December	71.0	28.3	99.3	63.2	48.1	25.5	7.4	144.2	243.5
January	70.2	24.0	94.2	56.2	21.1	16.7	6.0	100.0	194.2
February	83.1	29.1	112.2	60.7	21.8	20.6	6.5	109.6	221.9
March	80.4	29.6	109.9	64.7	27.9	20.7	5.7	119.1	229.0
April	76.2	30.1	106.3	64.0	34.0	22.3	5.8	126.0	232.3
May	82.0	31.4	113.4	80.0	26.1	24.0	7.0	137.2	250.6
June	72.4	28.5	100.9	71.5	41.3	25.0	6.5	144.4	245.3
1968-69—									
July	84.2	33.2	117.4	76.0	35.7	31.1	7.0	149.8	267.2
August	77.4	32.4	109.8	66.1	29.1	24.3	6.0	125.5	235.3
September	76.1	31.8	107.9	63.9	39.6	28.2	6.0	137.7	245.6
October	86.4	33.5	119.9	75.0	55.4	29.9	6.6	166.9	286.8

FINANCE COMPANIES

BALANCES OUTSTANDING BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

At end of—	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts (a)
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Australia									
At end of									
1964-65	976.4	476.1	1,452.5	64.1	39.5	232.4	25.5	361.5	1,814.0
1965-66	988.5	488.4	1,476.9	74.6	63.5	265.0	22.6	425.7	1,902.6
1966-67	1,086.2	539.4	1,625.6	92.9	49.4	298.8	21.4	462.5	2,088.1
1967-68	1,215.6	638.6	1,854.2	117.2	70.0	357.3	22.1	566.7	2,420.9
Month									
1967-68—									
August	1,100.4	556.0	1,656.4	96.3	65.3	302.1	22.3	486.0	2,142.4
September	1,112.3	561.9	1,674.2	96.8	74.5	307.9	22.3	501.5	2,175.7
October	1,125.3	575.1	1,700.5	99.3	57.1	312.1	22.8	491.3	2,191.8
November	1,147.4	576.3	1,723.7	104.3	75.7	318.5	23.6	522.1	2,245.8
December	1,164.5	590.0	1,754.5	103.9	56.2	321.0	23.3	504.3	2,258.9
January	1,173.7	595.0	1,768.7	92.2	69.0	325.5	21.5	508.3	2,277.0
February	1,172.7	604.0	1,776.7	97.0	67.6	325.2	21.8	511.7	2,288.4
March	1,177.7	611.9	1,789.6	107.3	70.1	339.4	22.8	539.6	2,329.2
April	1,187.9	618.5	1,806.4	113.5	59.2	352.2	22.6	547.6	2,354.0
May	1,204.9	630.5	1,835.4	117.2	77.3	354.4	22.5	571.4	2,406.8
June	1,215.6	638.6	1,854.2	117.2	70.0	357.3	22.1	566.7	2,420.9
1968-69—									
July	1,223.7	650.0	1,873.7	115.2	78.8	364.1	21.5	579.6	2,453.3
August	1,233.8	656.5	1,890.3	116.3	89.9	368.6	21.9	596.7	2,487.1
September	1,246.4	661.0	1,907.5	118.7	87.8	369.7	21.9	598.1	2,505.5
October	1,268.3	672.8	1,941.1	121.7	79.5	378.5	22.5	602.2	2,543.3

States—At end of October 1968

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	503.9	295.8	799.8	39.9	46.1	174.8	12.3	273.1	1,072.9
Victoria	302.1	117.3	419.4	31.1	23.6	105.6	8.7	169.1	588.5
Queensland	195.8	101.2	297.0	20.0	(b)	41.3	(b)	61.3	358.4
South Australia and Northern Territory	111.7	83.5	195.2	13.9	5.5	31.3	(b)	50.8	246.0
Western Australia	114.5	73.2	187.6	12.4	(b)	30.8	(b)	43.2	230.9
Tasmania	40.2	1.8	42.0	4.2	(b)	0.4	(b)	4.7	46.7
Australia	1,268.3	672.8	1,941.1	121.7	(c) 79.5	(c) 378.5	(c) 22.5	602.2	2,543.3

(a) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding. Movements in this series may be affected, however, by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (b) Not available separately; included in other commercial loans. (c) Components may not add to totals.

FINANCE COMPANIES

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES, AMOUNT FINANCED, CASH COLLECTIONS
AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period					Collections and other liquidations during period			Balances outstanding at end of period
	New motors	Used motors	Household and personal goods	Plant and machinery	Total	Cash collections	Other liquidations	Total	
Australia									
Year—									
1964-65	267.0	270.1	69.7	39.5	646.3	696.7	33.6	730.1	976.4
1965-66	249.8	250.3	69.0	42.9	612.1	746.2	31.7	778.0	988.5
1966-67	256.2	263.1	119.9	51.4	690.4	819.3	31.3	850.8	1,086.2
1967-68	316.7	300.6	136.6	58.6	812.8	875.8	28.9	904.7	1,215.6
Month—									
1967—									
September	26.1	23.9	10.2	3.7	63.8	67.7	2.0	69.7	1,112.3
October	27.7	26.2	13.0	5.6	72.6	73.6	2.2	75.8	1,125.3
November	28.2	26.6	13.6	6.5	75.0	72.6	2.3	74.9	1,147.4
December	27.4	23.2	14.9	4.6	70.2	68.2	2.8	71.0	1,164.5
1968—									
January	25.0	24.6	8.7	4.2	62.5	68.4	1.8	70.2	1,173.7
February	25.8	24.5	9.5	4.4	64.1	80.6	2.5	83.1	1,172.7
March	27.3	24.8	9.8	4.8	66.7	77.9	2.4	80.4	1,177.7
April	26.0	25.8	11.7	4.9	68.3	73.6	2.6	76.2	1,187.9
May	29.7	28.3	13.3	5.8	77.0	79.2	2.7	82.0	1,204.9
June	24.5	24.2	11.4	5.6	65.7	69.5	2.9	72.4	1,215.6
July	26.2	27.5	12.8	6.1	72.6	81.1	3.2	84.2	1,223.7
August	26.0	27.9	10.6	4.5	68.9	74.7	2.6	77.4	1,233.8
September	25.7	26.8	11.4	4.8	68.7	73.6	2.5	76.1	1,246.4

States—September 1968

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	9.9	10.2	6.5	1.8	28.3	30.3	0.8	31.1	494.8
Victoria	6.7	6.1	2.3	0.7	15.8	17.0	0.5	17.5	296.3
Queensland	3.5	4.4	1.1	1.3	10.3	12.0	0.5	12.4	193.7
South Australia and Northern Territory	2.6	2.6	0.7	0.3	6.2	6.1	0.3	6.5	110.0
Western Australia	2.4	2.5	0.5	0.5	5.8	5.7	0.3	6.0	111.4
Tasmania	0.7	1.0	0.3	0.3	2.2	2.6	0.1	2.7	40.1
Australia	25.7	26.8	11.4	4.8	68.7	73.6	2.5	76.1	1,246.4

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND PLANT ON LEASE (\$ million)

Period	Initial capital cost of goods newly leased during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Australia		
Year—		
1966-67(a)	77.5	129.0
1967-68	121.0	186.2
Month—		
1967—		
September	8.3	138.8
October	10.3	146.3
November	10.5	152.6
December	9.6	157.7
1968—		
January	8.4	161.7
February	9.3	164.8
March	10.7	169.8
April	11.5	176.0
May	12.7	182.0
June	10.7	186.2
July	13.1	192.8
August	10.5	197.7
September	10.8	202.5
October	13.0	208.7

States—October 1968

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	4.7	78.2
Victoria	3.2	55.1
Queensland	2.6	37.9
South Australia and Northern Territory	1.4	18.8
Western Australia	1.0	14.0
Tasmania	0.2	4.7
Australia	13.0	208.7

(a) Balances outstanding at 30 June 1965 amounted to \$70.6 million, and at 30 June 1966 to \$92.7 million. The value of initial capital cost of goods newly leased is available only from June 1966.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

Period	New policies issued (excluding annuities) (b)						Premiums(c)			Claims, etc., paid(d)				New loans paid over (e)
	Ordinary business		Industrial business		Superannuation business		Ordinary	Industrial	Super-annua-tion	Ordinary	Industrial	Super-annua-tion		
	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured								
'000	\$m	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m		
Monthly average														
1958-59	26.3	86.9	16.0	5.4	..	..	16.0	2.5	..	6.2	1.7	..	11.5	
1959-60	33.6	115.2	15.8	5.6	..	..	17.8	2.6	..	6.8	1.7	..	11.9	
1960-61	27.7	98.9	15.1	7.2	(f) 7.6	(f) 35.3	19.4	2.6	..	8.7	2.2	..	13.9	
1961-62	26.5	102.9	13.8	7.8	6.3	39.4	(g) 22.1	2.7	..	(g) 9.1	2.3	..	9.5	
1962-63	26.1	105.6	12.0	8.8	6.7	41.6	17.2	2.7	6.6	7.5	2.1	2.6	10.6	
1963-64	28.2	120.1	10.8	9.5	6.3	52.6	19.2	2.8	7.4	8.0	2.0	3.1	13.3	
1964-65	28.9	125.9	10.6	9.7	6.8	67.9	20.7	2.8	8.4	9.0	2.1	3.8	14.8	
1965-66	29.0	137.6	10.9	10.4	7.8	75.5	22.5	3.0	10.0	10.0	2.4	4.2	15.5	
1966-67	32.0	160.4	11.2	11.3	7.9	82.7	25.0	3.2	11.3	11.7	2.1	5.0	13.6	
1967-68	33.2	191.7	11.4	12.1	7.3	95.8	28.0	3.1	13.5	13.0	1.7	5.9	16.2	
Monthly total														
1966-67—														
August	33.3	159.0	13.0	12.7	11.4	85.1	25.4	3.5	11.0	12.2	2.8	5.3	13.3	
September(b)	36.8	169.1	14.8	14.7	9.7	99.2	24.2	3.0	12.3	11.8	2.6	5.4	15.9	
October	30.2	144.2	11.5	11.8	6.9	66.3	23.1	3.3	10.5	11.4	2.6	4.4	13.5	
November	32.0	159.4	12.1	12.7	6.9	55.9	22.2	3.1	9.2	11.2	2.7	4.1	12.8	
December(b)	35.7	217.3	8.1	8.5	9.7	253.8	24.8	4.4	14.1	12.2	2.1	6.7	17.5	
January	21.3	107.6	3.9	3.9	4.8	48.3	20.4	1.1	9.2	8.7	1.4	3.5	9.0	
February	25.4	124.9	10.9	10.4	5.8	55.1	23.0	2.6	9.8	10.2	1.9	4.2	13.3	
March	29.5	147.4	10.9	10.9	5.4	59.9	25.4	3.1	11.5	11.9	1.8	6.2	12.5	
April	29.8	148.0	11.1	11.4	8.0	55.1	23.2	3.2	10.0	10.7	1.4	4.3	13.0	
May	35.3	178.8	14.8	14.5	7.2	67.7	27.5	3.2	12.4	13.3	1.9	4.6	15.3	
June	39.1	199.0	11.3	11.4	9.3	77.1	36.1	4.3	16.2	14.6	1.7	6.5	13.6	
1967-68—														
July	34.8	180.8	15.6	16.0	7.4	79.5	28.8	2.6	13.0	14.4	1.7	6.0	14.0	
August	33.6	171.8	11.6	12.0	8.4	83.6	26.7	3.0	11.3	13.5	1.8	6.0	17.1	
September(b)	39.4	210.6	14.1	14.6	10.5	111.0	26.8	3.5	13.3	12.2	1.7	6.6	15.7	
October	33.3	174.4	12.0	12.8	7.3	67.2	26.2	3.3	14.0	13.3	1.8	5.4	15.3	
November	33.3	178.2	11.6	12.9	7.3	62.5	25.3	3.2	10.7	13.2	1.8	5.0	16.9	
December(b)	35.6	236.6	8.8	10.0	7.4	287.0	27.6	4.1	16.0	12.0	1.4	7.0	18.8	
January	19.3	107.7	3.7	3.9	6.3	57.2	22.0	1.1	11.7	8.6	1.1	4.9	10.5	
February	25.9	143.6	11.0	11.1	7.2	67.0	25.2	2.9	11.8	13.0	1.7	4.5	16.0	
March	34.3	188.3	11.9	13.0	5.5	83.9	29.2	3.6	14.1	12.9	1.9	7.9	15.3	
April	29.6	167.3	11.7	12.6	4.5	72.3	25.2	3.0	12.9	12.6	1.8	4.8	15.7	
May	37.2	208.2	11.1	12.0	8.6	86.7	32.3	4.0	14.7	14.9	2.1	6.2	21.5	
June	41.9	333.4	13.8	14.4	7.5	91.4	40.2	3.0	18.2	15.1	1.8	6.6	17.2	
1968-69—														
July	45.5	274.5	13.2	14.4	9.2	92.4	38.6	3.3	15.5	16.1	2.1	6.2	18.7	
August	37.3	230.1	10.4	11.9	6.5	115.2	28.4	3.6	12.5	14.1	1.8	5.5	17.5	
September(b)	37.5	220.8	15.3	17.0	9.1	147.4	31.4	3.3	13.9	13.8	1.8	7.5	23.7	

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office, which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Figures compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes advances of premiums. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with ordinary business. (g) Includes superannuation business. Separate details of superannuation business were available from the last six months of 1961-62.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

SELECTED ASSETS HELD IN AUSTRALIA(b) BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(\$ million)

At end of—	Fixed assets	Loans(c)				Investments			
		On mortgage		On policies	Other	Govt. securities	Local and semi-govt. securities	Debentures and notes	Shares
		Housing	Other, incl. rural						
June 1960	102.4	267.2	400.4	65.0	48.0	452.2	227.8	156.4	156.0
June 1961	133.4	301.2	432.4	79.8	54.4	457.0	224.2	222.4	209.2
June 1962(d)	159.8	306.6	452.0	87.8	52.2	523.2	242.2	220.8	241.0
June 1963	192.4	317.0	466.6	96.0	45.2	621.6	249.8	240.0	293.0
June 1964	233.0	323.3	500.7	103.9	40.1	689.1	266.4	284.9	351.1
March 1965	265.0	333.6	525.4	110.0	41.5	751.4	267.8	320.1	394.5
June 1965	284.8	338.5	537.0	113.6	42.8	757.3	268.2	328.0	414.8
September 1965	301.6	341.3	554.3	118.1	42.9	773.9	269.2	330.8	426.0
December 1965	319.9	350.1	568.4	120.5	41.5	798.8	272.9	339.4	437.8
March 1966	335.3	353.4	574.0	125.3	40.6	821.1	275.7	346.4	444.3
June 1966	354.2	355.6	586.6	129.5	40.7	845.9	276.2	353.8	453.8
September 1966	371.8	356.3	596.2	132.0	40.6	872.5	277.4	365.1	467.4
December 1966	388.2	363.7	605.4	135.2	39.9	914.9	278.9	374.7	481.5
March 1967	392.9	364.8	609.4	138.4	39.1	958.4	283.5	377.7	492.3
June 1967	404.4	365.8	615.1	142.2	40.8	988.7	287.3	385.0	509.1
September 1967	417.5	366.2	625.5	144.5	40.7	1,027.7	294.9	394.7	524.1
December 1967	431.4	373.8	641.3	148.0	39.8	1,065.1	300.4	397.9	543.0
March 1968	439.4	374.9	649.1	152.4	43.8	1,087.8	310.1	407.9	560.7
June 1968	460.3	378.2	665.3	157.8	48.1	1,110.8	312.5	425.3	576.9
September 1968	475.9	381.5	680.7	162.0	53.6	1,147.6	319.0	438.7	605.3

(a) Excludes details of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office. Items shown are the balances according to the companies' ledgers as at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (d) Details at the end of March 1962, and subsequent dates are not strictly comparable with information for earlier dates. Details prior to March 1962, include 'other classes of business' while subsequent details relate to life insurance business only.

SHORT TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets				Interest rates on loans accepted during month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Com-mercial bills (a)	At call		For fixed periods		
				Treasury notes	Other	Total		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Average of weekly figures—\$ million								Per cent per annum				
June 1962	55.8	177.1	232.9	..	242.3	242.3	..	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46
June 1968	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1967-68—												
September	92.4	373.7	466.1	58.8	408.1	466.9	23.8	2.00	6.75	3.75	6.10	4.22
October	89.2	393.5	482.7	91.6	391.6	483.2	23.2	2.00	6.80	3.00	5.80	4.08
November	105.2	397.3	502.5	165.4	335.6	501.0	22.5	0.50	6.50	3.00	5.25	3.66
December	92.3	372.0	464.3	148.7	326.1	474.8	22.8	2.00	6.50	3.30	5.75	4.16
January	111.1	361.6	472.7	197.6	284.2	481.8	16.0	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	3.88
February	70.9	429.0	499.9	240.3	266.9	507.2	15.9	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	4.31
March	75.8	452.0	527.8	257.4	278.6	536.0	18.8	1.00	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.10
April	73.5	419.6	493.1	174.2	319.2	493.4	25.9	2.00	6.50	3.50	5.50	4.24
May	76.3	414.4	490.7	137.5	357.5	494.9	30.2	1.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.23
June	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1968-69—												
July	90.2	408.8	499.0	127.6	359.6	487.1	34.0	1.00	6.50	3.75	5.50	4.19
August	109.7	410.5	520.2	128.6	385.7	514.3	28.5	3.00	6.50	3.50	5.75	4.16
September	121.8	403.9	525.7	148.6	389.9	538.5	29.6	0.50	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.07
October	105.4	422.0	527.4	132.2	413.8	546.1	19.9	0.50	6.25	2.00	6.00	4.18

(a) Since 22 March 1965, authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Inter- national reserves (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo- retical 2 years	Theo- retical 10 years	Theo- retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg	£US per £stg	£US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1961-62	1,096.5	2.505	2.810	1.118	31.25	12.505	4.59	4.97	5.12	8.8
1962-63	1,224.9	2.505	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,672.1	2.505	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,354.3	2.505	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,375.0	2.505	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,198.3	2.505	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	8.9
1967-68	1,092.4	2.290	2.553	1.112	31.25	(h) 36.38	4.72	5.07	5.25	9.2
1966-67—										(i)
October	1,289.8	2.505	2.792	1.109	31.25	12.593	4.97	5.17	5.25	9.2
November	1,276.5	2.505	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.597	4.75	5.09	5.25	9.1
December	1,248.0	2.505	2.791	1.110	31.25	12.608	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.1
January	1,235.5	2.505	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.606	4.50	5.01	5.25	9.1
February	1,214.6	2.505	2.794	1.112	31.25	12.587	4.51	5.02	5.25	9.1
March	1,174.7	2.505	2.796	1.113	31.25	12.570	4.50	5.02	5.25	9.1
April	1,157.9	2.505	2.799	1.114	31.25	12.566	4.62	5.03	5.25	9.2
May	1,197.1	2.505	2.797	1.113	31.25	12.577	4.51	5.04	5.25	9.0
June	1,198.3	2.505	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.604	4.52	5.03	5.25	8.9
1967-68—										
July	1,156.8	2.505	2.787	1.109	31.25	12.623	4.53	5.02	5.25	9.0
August	1,151.3	2.505	2.785	1.108	31.25	12.633	4.53	5.01	5.25	9.1
September	1,143.3	2.505	2.784	1.108	31.25	12.639	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.1
October	1,170.4	2.505	2.783	1.108	31.25	12.645	4.51	5.03	5.25	9.3
November	(j) 1,145.6	2.380	2.645	1.113	31.25	13.369	4.75	5.02	5.25	9.2
December	1,092.3	2.147	2.407	1.118	31.25	14.622	4.71	5.10	5.25	9.2
January	1,131.3	2.147	2.409	1.118	31.25	14.602	4.80	5.11	5.25	9.1
February	1,102.2	2.147	2.409	1.119	31.25	14.605	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.1
March	1,117.1	2.147	2.400	1.114	31.25	14.680	4.86	5.10	5.25	9.1
April	1,095.8	2.147	2.402	1.115	31.25	(h) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	9.2
May	1,142.5	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	40.70	4.85	5.11	5.25	9.3
June	1,092.4	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
1968-69—										
July	1,079.3	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	39.47	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
August	1,060.3	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,036.5	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,091.0	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	
November		2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	

(a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net gold and foreign exchange holdings (official and banking institutions). See page 39, Reserve Bank of Australia statistical bulletin, financial supplement, September 1963, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$U.S. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Reserves fell by \$24.8 million between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approximately \$113 million resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

INTEREST RATES

(Per cent per annum)

Date of change in rate	Trading banks—						Savings bank deposits (predominant rate) (d)	Commonwealth loans (long-term)
	Fixed deposits—					Overdrafts (maximum rate)—major trading banks		
	30 days but less than 3 months (a)	3 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months (b)	18 months	Over 18 months to 24 months (c)			
1961—								
1 July		4.00	4.25	..	..	(e) 7.00	3.50	5.375
1962—								
7 February		4.00	4.25	..	..	(e) 7.00	3.50	5.000
13 April		3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.50	5.000
1963—								
1 April		3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.50	5.000
1 May		3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.00	5.000
23 July		3.25	3.50	..	..	6.50	3.00	4.600
1964—								
8 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	6.50	3.00	4.500
27 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.500
14 May	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.625
1 June	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	4.625
13 August	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	5.000
29 September	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.00	4.25	7.00	3.25	5.000
1965—								
10 March	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.25	5.000
1 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.000
13 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250
1966—								
17 August	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250
1968—								
27 June	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.50	5.250
1 August	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.75	5.250
14 October	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	5.250

(a) Prior to 8 April 1964, banks were not permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods less than 3 months. From 8 April 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits in excess of \$100,000, for periods of 30 days but less than 3 months at rates not exceeding the maximum rates shown. (b) From 17 November 1960, to 9 September 1962, banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months. From 10 September 1962, to 28 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods from 12 to 18 months. (c) From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods over 18 months to 24 months. (d) The trustee savings banks and two State savings banks offer slightly higher rates. (e) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(\$ million)

Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total	Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total
30 June—					1967—68				
1959	342.0	..	25.1	316.9	31 July	..	62.0	90.0	(a) 83.5 235.5
1960	402.0	..	27.3	374.7	31 August	..	222.0	101.4	(a) 85.9 409.3
1961	372.0	..	28.8	343.2	30 September	..	300.0	181.3	(a) 66.5 547.8
1962	416.0	..	18.9	397.2	31 October	..	307.0	253.3	(a) 68.0 628.3
1963	246.0	138.8	19.9	385.1	30 November	..	344.0	376.6	(a) 42.8 763.4
1964	178.0	152.6	20.9	351.5	31 December	..	347.0	439.7	(a) 62.4 849.1
1965	116.0	80.4	24.5	220.9	31 January	..	136.0	668.4	(a) 73.2 877.7
1966	80.0	116.1	24.8	220.9	29 February	..	131.0	701.0	(a) 83.4 915.4
1967	90.0	90.2	25.7	205.9	31 March	..	164.0	631.3	(a) 56.7 852.0
1968	141.0	273.7	25.6	440.3	30 April	..	55.0	385.6	(a) 71.8 512.4
					31 May	..	47.0	299.2	(a) 73.7 420.0
					30 June	..	141.0	273.7	25.6 389.2
1966-67—					1968-69—				
31 October	350.0	258.6	(a) 80.9	689.5	31 July	..	182.0	253.7	(a) 45.8 481.5
30 November	508.0	246.6	(a) 57.6	812.2	31 August	..	268.0	277.7	(a) 93.6 637.3
31 December	672.0	262.5	(a) 2.3	936.8	30 September	..	283.0	343.7	(a) 114.0 740.7
31 January	421.0	368.9	(a) 62.9	852.7	31 October	..	441.0	345.5	(a) 77.5 864.0
28 February	315.0	350.1	(a) 92.3	757.4	30 November	..	589.0	354.2	(a) 84.6 1,027.8
31 March	426.0	237.1	(a) 67.5	730.7					
30 April	273.0	108.3	(a) 71.1	452.4					
31 May	182.0	80.5	(a) 59.7	322.2					
30 June	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5					

(a) Overdraft.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million)

Period	New South Wales(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States	Commonwealth	Grand total(b)
Revenue									
1963-64	684.5	444.4	260.9	203.0	167.9	68.4	1,829.1	3,809.4	4,885.1
1964-65	729.1	480.7	267.1	214.2	180.1	75.8	1,947.1	4,418.2	5,587.2
1965-66	771.6	508.6	294.5	228.8	206.7	84.9	2,095.1	4,879.2	6,080.2
1966-67	830.7	559.6	323.8	250.8	228.1	93.8	2,286.9	5,227.7	6,545.5
1967-68	888.1	601.3	357.2	264.5	250.7	101.5	2,463.4	5,760.5	7,174.8
1968-69 (Estimated)	953.2	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	105.2	2,642.9	5,974.2	7,489.8
1966-67—									
July–September	185.4	111.8	69.9	53.5	52.0	20.2	492.8	846.5	1,106.9
July–October	250.9	151.7	95.7	73.6	68.1	26.1	666.1	1,142.8	1,498.6
July–November	324.9	192.3	126.7	97.1	86.7	34.1	861.8	1,489.5	1,948.4
1967-68—									
July–September	206.3	128.8	81.1	60.6	56.4	21.7	555.0	945.6	1,249.0
July–October	279.4	174.3	111.9	81.2	74.2	29.4	750.4	1,277.9	1,692.9
July–November	351.7	220.0	143.2	102.9	91.9	35.6	945.3	1,645.2	2,170.4
1968-69—									
July–September	225.4	138.2	87.5	64.6	64.9	24.4	605.0	904.9	1,226.5
July–October	314.6	193.3	120.8	85.7	84.7	31.6	830.7	1,245.7	1,697.1
July–November		243.3	153.4	109.1		38.5		1,622.9	
Expenditure									
1963-64	684.0	444.9	260.5	199.8	170.7	69.6	1,829.3	3,809.4	4,885.4
1964-65	734.2	480.7	271.2	216.8	184.8	77.4	1,965.1	4,418.2	5,605.2
1965-66	776.3	516.7	298.0	235.7	206.7	86.9	2,120.3	4,879.2	6,105.4
1966-67	833.8	559.6	323.5	250.7	228.2	94.4	2,290.3	5,227.7	6,548.8
1967-68	887.6	604.1	356.2	267.4	249.9	103.3	2,468.6	5,760.5	7,180.0
1968-69 (Estimated)	957.6	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	109.0	2,650.8	5,974.2	7,497.7
1966-67—									
July–September	177.4	121.5	73.2	58.9	51.3	20.7	503.0	1,224.0	1,494.6
July–October	252.5	162.9	97.6	78.6	68.4	27.3	687.4	1,638.7	2,015.7
July–November	329.4	210.9	133.8	102.6	93.5	39.5	909.7	2,069.9	2,576.7
1967-68—									
July–September	192.1	133.0	77.0	62.9	55.7	26.1	546.8	1,351.2	1,646.4
July–October	269.7	180.1	106.5	84.2	74.9	34.1	749.5	1,815.6	2,229.6
July–November	347.6	233.2	139.4	108.8	97.7	43.6	970.2	2,296.6	2,846.7
1968-69—									
July–September	215.8	143.1	87.1	68.7	61.6	27.0	603.3	1,344.3	1,664.2
July–October	309.5	196.0	119.6	91.8	84.6	37.2	838.7	1,801.2	2,260.7
July–November		255.4	153.0	115.7	47.8			2,293.3	

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of consolidated revenue fund and business undertakings—railways, tramways, omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payment to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State consolidated revenue funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and national welfare fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.